

## CREW PERISH WHEN TANKER RUNS AGROUND

Associated Oil Steamer Strikes Rocks  
Off Cape Blanco and Only Three  
of Crew of Fifty Are Reported As  
Saved—Captain Escaped

MARSHFIELD, Dec. 20.—Captain Sawyer, Quartermaster Kunkle, and Seaman Earl Dooley are the only known survivors of the steamer J. Chanslor. Captain Sawyer is in the hospital at Bandon, suffering with pneumonia as the result of exposure. It is thought that all of the crew except the three above mentioned were lost. Captain Sawyer said there were 40 men aboard. Three bodies have been found on the beach and others are reported to have washed ashore below Bandon. Several steamers are standing by in the vicinity searching for bodies. It is almost certain that Francis Jackson, son of S. M. Jackson, publisher of the Portland Oregon Journal, who shipped as second engineer is among the lost.

BRANDON, Ore., Dec. 20.—With but three of her crew of 50 alive, so far as is known, the steamer J. Chanslor, bound from Portland to San Francisco, lay almost submerged on a jagged reef off Cape Blanco this morning. The steamer's back was broken when she struck the reef Thursday night, according to Earl Dooley, one of the crew who escaped. Captain A. J. Sawyer also escaped and one other member of the crew, name unknown. The fate of all the others of the crew of 50 is in doubt. Dooley was picked up late last night on the beach in an exhausted condition. He was a member of the lone lifeboat that left the ship. Captain Sawyer communicated with his wife here early this morning, saying that he was safe and well. The third party saved is said to have been the ship's quartermaster, name unknown, who signed the ship's papers in Portland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 20.—The crew of the J. Chanslor, listed with the Merchants' Exchange here, shows 37 names. Any new members signed on at Portland are not shown. A telegram from Captain Sawyer was also received here by the superintendent of the Associated Oil company, owner of the vessel, but the message contained no additional details of the loss.

### ONE FAILS TO LEAVE; IS SERVING TEN DAYS

Oliver Jefferson failed to heed the warning of the court to leave town Friday morning and in consequence is serving a suspended sentence of ten days in the county jail. Jefferson was one of the participants in a free-for-all fight Thursday night which resulted in seven persons being sentenced by Police Judge Leavitt. Five drew suspended sentences on condition they leave town. Jefferson was the only one who failed to leave. In addition to the ten days, he has five days coming in lieu of the fine, an additional part of the sentence, which he has not yet paid.

### PLEADING POSTPONED

Time for entering plea to a charge of assault with intent to kill was extended yesterday by the circuit court in the case of Mrs. Minnie Nicholas to Monday, December 22.

### SENATE PASSES CUMMINS BILL; VOTE 46 TO 30.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—With its anti-strike provisions intact the Cummins railroad bill passed the Senate today, 46 to 30, following rejection of LaFollette's proposal to continue government control two years.

After passing the bill the Senate adopted a resolution providing for a recess of Congress until January 5.

### APOPLEXY SIZES WELL KNOWN MAN

W. E. Seehorn, well known fuel dealer, was suddenly stricken with apoplexy at his home about noon today. Dr. G. H. Merryman was called and he reports that the stroke was apparently light. The patient regained consciousness in a short while and unless complications develop, it is the physician's opinion that he will soon recover.

### DIVORCE SUIT FILED

Suit for divorce has been filed in the circuit court by Lottie Jones Schonschin against Jess Schonschin.

### SUITS ARE SETTLED; COMPLAINTS DISMISSED

On motion of plaintiff the divorce action of Lulu Kinder against Owen Kinder was dismissed by Judge Kuykendall in the circuit court yesterday. The court was informed that the parties have effected a reconciliation.

The suit of Martin Martinson against the Modoc Lumber Co. to collect wages has been dismissed. Settlement was reached out of court by defendant's payment to plaintiff of \$90, the approximate amount sued for.

### BERGER ELECTED IN THE FIFTH WISCONSIN DISTRICT

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 20.—Victor L. Berger, Socialist, today is again representative-elect from the Fifth congressional district; having defeated the fusion candidate yesterday by a majority of 4896 votes.

### PERSONAL MENTION

Louis Hoagland returned home last evening from Portland, where he has been on business for the past week.

Manager Al Short of the White Pelican Hotel is busy these days preparing to play Santa Claus to both the guests and servants of the hotel.

Miss Agnes McCornack of the O. A. C. and Miss Mary McCornack of the Oregon University have returned to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. McCornack.

Miss Barbara Goeller is expected home tomorrow evening to spend the holidays with her parents.

Miss Alice McCourt and Mr. and Mrs. George Watt and family left this morning for San Francisco to spend the holidays.

Miss Lois Badger, Miss Avis Dougherty, Mrs. Golden Lincoln and Miss Mary Daggendorfer left this morning for Portland to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall of San Francisco are over holiday guests at the White Pelican hotel. Mr. Marshall is a returned soldier.

J. P. McAuliffe of Fort Klamath is registered at the White Pelican hotel.

Mrs. Lottie Agee, who has resided at McCall, Idaho, has arrived in Klamath Falls to make her home near her brother and sister, Dave Lennox and Mrs. Reams of "The Shasta." Mrs. Agee was in Portland during the cold spell last week and describing the conditions following the freeze as most distressing.

George A. Lisk left this morning for Redding, to which point he has shipped his car. He will be joined there by Mrs. Lisk and their two young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Lawton of Fort Klamath, when they will go on to Southern California to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Boner are here from Pine Grove on a shopping expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lynch of Merrill are visitors here today. Lloyd Alford and family are here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Alford.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Martin of Poe Valley were visitors here today. Clarence Montgomery is home from the Oregon Agricultural college for the holidays.

George Watts and family and Miss Alice McCourt have gone to San Francisco for the holidays.

Charles Adams is a business visitor from Pine Grove today. Miss Myrtle Ess, teacher at Plevna, is spending the week end here.

### "DO SOMETHING—STOP WRITIN' NOTES!"



## KLAMATH FALLS BANK DEPOSITS IN 8TH PLACE

SALEM, Or., Dec. 20.—Deposits in the banks of Oregon on November 17, 1919, totalled \$306,330,743.22, according to a report prepared by Will H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks. These deposits show an increase of \$17,889,419.29 over September 12, 1919, and \$79,949,039.78 over November 1, 1918.

Deposits in Portland banks at the time of the November call, as compared with the report issued by Mr. Bennett last September, show an increase of \$4,890,626.33. Salem, with an increase of \$1,168,755.31, has advanced to second place, passing Pendleton and Astoria. Eugene, Baker and The Dalles retain their old positions with increases in deposits.

Klamath Falls has advanced from tenth to eighth place, with an increase of \$862,759.86, passing Albany and Medford. Oregon City remains in 11th place. Corvallis has moved from 14th to 12th place, with an increase of \$516,427.39. Heppner has advanced from 24th to 21st position; Grants Pass from 25th to 23d and Ontario from 28th to 24th place.

Dallas has been added to the list of banks having deposits of more than \$1,000,000, while Vale and Enterprise appear again after falling below that sum in September. Deposits of the 35 banks in Oregon having deposits of more than \$1,000,000 each aggregate \$265,749,438.85, according to the November, 1919, report. Three more depositories are listed than at the time of the previous call in September.

### PASSENGER JUMPS RAILS.

REDDING, Dec. 20.—Five cars of the north bound Southern Pacific passenger, No. 54 were derailed near here early this morning. No passengers were injured.

## SNOW SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM ROADS

The larger part of the tonnage of all railroads is transported over the highways in part of its course of distribution.

A highway is built for utilitarian purposes only. Because of this a road repair is made when necessary. If the highways are to be 100 percent efficient it is very essential that the traffic be not obstructed by snow.

Mail, parcel post and express service is as important in winter as summer. The transportation of coal and other fuel is more important in winter than in summer and upon main market roads and mail routes it is just as essential to have them free from snow as it is for railroad tracks to be free from snow.

Therefore there must be a method and organization for repair, maintenance and the removal of snow or other obstructions at the same time the road is opened for traffic.

The same state highway organization which is used for maintenance and repair should be used for snow removal.

If there were little or no demand for traffic during snow weather, the cost of snow removal would be justified anyway. If snow be permitted to melt on the road bed it tends to soften the subgrade and loosen the base under the wearing surface. Evidences of these damages may be seen after heavy snows in the late winter and early springtime.

If snow is not removed on a trunk highway, the traffic will gradually break its way through when thaw begins. The traffic will create one or two sets of ruts or tracks. The constant tracking in the same rut produces disastrous results to the road surface, making repairs difficult and expensive.

A larger percentage of road re-

### ANTI-LEASE BILL IS INTRODUCED

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—A special dispatch to the Portland Telegram from Washington says that Representative Sinnott today introduced a bill prohibiting leasing of government lands on Upper Klamath Lake to power corporation interests and further providing a survey to ascertain how much land is reclaimable by diking or drainage, and providing homestead entry with preference to soldiers and sailors but barring conscientious objectors. A hearing on the bill is scheduled for January 12th.

## 15 CARS WERE NOT INSURED

A list of cars burned in the recent fire at the White Pelican garage has been compiled from the records of Gordon & Lee, proprietors. There are 27 cars on the list submitted by Fire Chief Miller. It was reported that 29 cars were burned, but the records show two less than that number.

Following is the list: Insured cars, J. H. Driscoll, Buick; W. K. Brown, Buick; Wood Curtiss Co., Autocar; S. J. Chaney, Buick; A. M. Hathaway, Overland; C. T. Darley, Chevrolet; Chas. B. Otey, Hupmobile; K. Sugarman, Cadillac; Con Black-McSkaddon, Westcott; Miss Twyla Head, Dodge; Hosley-Coe, Stearns; uninsured cars, Klamath Falls-Lakeview stage, Oldsmobile; State of Oregon, Ford; N. S. McClory, Oldsmobile; William Bray, Reo; L. Jacobs, Reo; Rex Bord, Haynes; C. J. Ferguson, Hupmobile; Miss Maude Baldwin, Buick sedan; Klamath county Winther truck; J. A. Gordon, Ford; F. T. Nelson, Studebaker. Besides these the cars of Arlie Worrell and Elmer French were burned but are not listed as insured, and two cars, an Oldsmobile and Buick, are listed, the identity of whose owners has not been established.

### BACK IN BUSINESS

Joel T. Ward, one of the former well known Klamath Falls realty dealers, who temporarily gave up this calling during the war and answered the call for increased food supplies by farming a tract of land in the Malin district, has returned with Mrs. Ward to Klamath Falls and intends to resume his original business. He believes that the future of this great section was never so bright as at this time and that the only limit to the country's progress will be the amount of help that can be secured. Farmers throughout the Malin section, he states, are all planning to improve their ranches during the next few months with better houses, barns and equipment.

### WEATHER REPORT

OREGON: Tonight and Sunday, rain; warmer tonight in the east; moderate southerly gale.

Plans are due to winter traffic than to summer traffic. This is due to the neglect of highways during snow time.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS GIVEN START

Organization Boosters, Few in Number but Strong in Spirit, Get Well Under Way at First Meeting—New Committees Are Appointed

Although several speakers expressed disappointment at the small attendance at the reorganization meeting of the Klamath Commercial club (which, by the way, according to the decision of the meeting, is to be known as the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce hereafter), the most carping critic could not have found fault with the amount of enthusiasm shown.

Every man present was a booster and none expressed doubt as to the ultimate success of the reorganization. They buckled down to work, heard ultimate success of the organization committee, and a separate solicitation committee, and in the space of an hour had the Chamber of Commerce plan well on its feet and going strong. Then they adjourned for two weeks.

The effect of the suggestion of E. L. Elliot, supported by F. A. Baker, that the name of the organization be changed to the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce, was electrifying.

"Now, you're talking," said one member. "If you mean to act along that line I'll increase my membership right now from two to five shares."

"I'll take two more," said another. Several men who had not subscribed came in and the close of the rally found that inside of five minutes the reorganization fund was close to \$300 richer. The total fund is now close to \$3300.

Chairman J. W. Siemens told the meeting that stories that the new organization will start with old debts unpaid are false. He said there is one \$7 claim for printing that he heard of only yesterday. Otherwise the organization has a clean slate, except that the chairman suggested that Capt. O. C. Applegate, the secretary of the old organization, should be reimbursed for sums spent out of his own pocket to keep the club alive during the two-year war period. The total due the secretary, Captain Siemens said, would be about \$300 or \$400.

Business men who could afford five memberships have taken one, it was declared, and it was suggested that the new solicitation committee see some of these men and reason with them on the benefit to be derived from an active chamber of commerce, and ask every man to contribute according to his ability.

It was suggested by Mr. Elliot, speaking as a farmer, that branches be organized in all the leading centers of the county, and this suggestion met with unanimous approval.

The following solicitation committee was appointed: Carl Plath, Bert Thomas, C. V. Holmes, George Ulrich and W. P. Johnson.

So certain did it become before the meeting was over that the reorganization is going to be a success that an organization committee was appointed, consisting of F. A. Baker, E. L. Elliot and J. F. Maguire to prepare definite plans for permanent organization to be submitted at the next meeting.

On account of the holiday rush it was generally thought inadvisable to call another meeting until after January 1. However, it was suggested that if the soliciting committee could get immediately to work, and if it raised \$2000 or \$3000 more in a few days, the chairman could call the meeting sooner.

### HARVARD EN ROUTE

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—The Harvard football team carried the confidence of all New England, when they departed for Pasadena, Cal., today, where they play the Oregon University team New Year's day.

# ONLY 3 MORE SHOPPING DAYS—UNTIL CHRISTMAS!

