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KELSEY'S REPORT DUG UP.

The Morning Mail, which has again had to resort to gratuitous distribution in order to secure circulation enough to hold its advertising, has made the discovery that Engineer Frank C. Kelsey, in March, 1907, recommended the north fork of Little Butte as a source of supply for the city.

Why, then, did the majority of the water committee waste nine months of investigation before it would recommend the same water? With this recommendation before it, why was the city compelled to do without water while the committee was trying to force through the Wasson canyon deal?

Why did the Mail ignore Engineer Kelsey's report and seek to foist a semi-arid canyon upon the city? Why was not Engineer Roberts asked at once upon his arrival to report upon water sources, but kept busy on a proposition it was hoped to tie the city to until public opinion forced the council to order a written report?

The fact of the matter is that no engineer would for a minute recommend Little Butte water over Big Butte Springs, if it were thought possible to secure the latter at anything like the same expense, and Engineer Kelsey was figuring on a far less expenditure than is now to be made.

Neither was a pumping plant on the Rogue considered by Engineer Kelsey. In fact, what Mr. Kelsey reported upon was altogether a different situation from that now existing, and it is hardly fair to him to quote his report upon the situation two years ago and apply to the present situation, particularly as he was discarded by the water committee and another engineer engaged.

What the people of Medford must consider is not so much the musty reports of engineers, but which proposition will be best for the city in the long run and result most beneficially, and no engineer is needed for this—just common sense. And in this connection the lumber mill and payroll promised with the Big Butte proposition and the irrigation system promised with the Rogue river plant must be considered as having great bearing upon the future, for without factories and payrolls we can have no city, and upon irrigation depends the permanent success of this valley as a fruit growing region.

BEFOGGING THE PEOPLE.

To befog the people, the Fish Lake Ditch organ persists in misrepresenting facts about both the Rogue River and Big Butte Springs propositions. Engineer Roberts' estimate of cost on the Big Butte pipeline of \$167,410 is continuously quoted against Contractor Bade's bid of \$152,410 for the work. This makes the total cost of the Big Butte proposal \$262,410, or within the money the city can raise, not \$277,410, as the Mail states.

The city's engineer wants to be on the safe side, so places outside estimates upon cost. He estimated the cost of the Fish Lake Ditch proposition at more than the work is offered to be done for, and estimated the cost of the pumping system from Rogue river at more than contractor's bid.

Speaking of cost, however, Contractor Bade offers to lay the pipeline under the Fish Lake bid for \$5000 less than the Fish Lake company offer to the city.

The Mail has never quoted the low price of the Rogue River proposition, or given it fair consideration. It costs but \$197,800, or \$56,200 cheaper than the Fish Lake Ditch offer, which in 30 years at 5 per cent interest means a saving of \$130,000 to the city.

The Mail has a feeling that Fish Lake ditch is the only water. It once had a feeling that Binger Hermann should not be congressman, but experienced a change in feeling.

There is a \$5000 certified check up for forfeit by the Condor Water & Power company to guarantee good faith as to the concern's ability to "deliver the goods."

INVESTIGATING CAREERS OF HEADS OF WHITE SLAVE RING

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—United States Immigration Commissioner Davies is investigating today charges against Alphonse and Eva Dufur, charged with being the heads of an alleged white slave ring in this city. Two young women who appeared at the United States marshal's office yesterday accuse the Frenchman of stealing several thousand dollars' worth of jewels from them. The couple are now in Paris, after having forfeited bail bonds amounting to \$25,000, and it is the intention of the authorities to have them extradited. The young women who make the additional charges against the Dufurs claim that they took jewelry from their victims on the ground that it was to be used to help fight their cases in the federal courts. The federal authorities began action today looking to the recovery of the jewels.

FOUR MEN BURNED TO DEATH WHEN SHIP BURNS

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Oct. 21.—Four men were burned to death today in a fire which destroyed the steamer New York of the Hudson River Day line. The steamer was undergoing repairs in the shipyard here. Fifty persons were on board her when the fire was discovered. A number were slightly injured in the panic that followed and the wild rush for safety. The four victims were trapped below decks. It is supposed the fire was caused by an explosion, but the origin probably never will be known definitely. The New York was one of the big river boats and made the daylight trip between Albany and New York city. She was a wooden craft and burned rapidly. The dead are: James Jones, Joseph Matthews, Isaac Jenkins, Alexander Braun.

AMUSEMENTS.

The Marathon Race.

There will be displayed at the Savoy tonight and Thursday a film showing the greatest feature of the Olympic games recently held in England—the Marathon race, won by John Hayes, the young New York athlete. The highly dramatic finish of the 26-mile race is shown in detail. It was one that made the papers over the entire world devote columns to painting the picture in words. Durango, the Italian, it will be remembered, finished first, but was assisted over the finish line by over-zealous friends. His gall endeavor to finish in spite of his collapse make the picture a thrilling one. And then, when Hayes wins out, Old Glory is seen floating in the breeze as a token of American victory.

Holland on Minstrels.

A reporter of The Tribune met "Jack Holland," for many years the business manager of Richards & Pringle's famous minstrels in the office of the Nash-hot during his visit here last week, in the interest of his attraction, which plays the Anglo opera house on tomorrow night, and called his attention to an article in a recent issue of a metropolitan paper on the decadence of minstrelsy as a form of amusement. Mr. Holland replied with a smile: "Oh, yes, I read the article with a great deal of amusement. Every once in a while you will read an article by some misinformed writer about the passing of the minstrel show. That American have tired of the form of amusement that used to make their grandfathers, and yes, even their great grandfathers, laugh till the tears rolled down their cheeks. "But such talk is the veriest rot. Minstrelsy was never in a more flourishing condition than at this very day. "This is a progressive age, and one must keep abreast of the times if he is catering to the public. The season of 1907-908 was a particularly disastrous one. Scores and scores of dramatic shows and musical comedies were obliged to close for lack of patronage. Very few indeed were the minstrel shows that gave up the right. There were two or three minstrel shows closed, to be sure, but they were inferior companies, and scarcely worthy the name. "None of the leading organizations closed, which proves conclusively that the good old style of entertainment still holds a warm place in the hearts of the American people. "The company which Mr. Holland represents is the oldest minstrel troupe in existence, and numbers 40 people. Press notices from other cities where they have appeared this season are loud in their praise."

NOTICE.

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