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The weather man says:
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THIRD YEAR.

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SOLONS ADMITTED BENEFIT OF ROAD; PLEAD ECONOMY

EIGHT VOTED TO CUT THE AMOUNT

Senate First Adopted Majority Report by Vote of 20 to 9—Bill Then Carried by Vote of 23 to 7

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 20.—By a vote of 23 to 7, the senate yesterday afternoon passed the Crater road bill carrying an appropriation of \$100,000 in four annual installments.

The bill has been engrossed and will probably be signed by the governor today.

An effort to substitute the minority report for that of the majority was led by Senator Selling, who pleaded for economy while admitting the benefits that would accrue from the Crater lake road.

Senator Barrett of Washington also favored cutting the appropriation, but the effort to reduce the amount met with defeat, but eight votes being recorded in its favor.

Senator Albee, Barrett, Colwell, Killeb, Miller, Linn, Schofield, Selling and Ward, Martin of Josephine and Mull of Jackson led the supporters of the measure in forcible speeches.

Yea—Albee, Bailey, Beach, Bingham, Colwell, Chase, Coffey, Cole, Hart, Johnson, Kay, Merriman, Miller, Lynn and Lane, Mull, Norton, Nottingham, Oliver, Parish, Sisson, Smith, Merrin, South, Tomalla, and Bowerman, Total, 23.

Nay—Barrett, Hodges, Killeb and Miller, Linn, Schofield, Selling and Ward, Total, 7.

NEAR BORDER SALOON AVOIDS LAWS OF TWO STATES

PLUMAS JUNCTION, Feb. 20.—It is reported that a saloon is being erected just over the line to Nevada, a very short distance from the railroad under construction by the West Pacific company in California.

Nevada laws do not permit a saloon to be conducted within three miles of a railroad under construction in that state, while Lassen county has an ordinance limiting saloons to two miles. The saloon in question does not violate the Nevada law.

Advantage is being taken of the fact that the railroad for several miles just across the state line in the California side and then enters Nevada, but more than three miles from where the saloon is being built.

The building, in other words, is being erected more than three miles from the road in Nevada, but just across the line from the road in Lassen county, California.

There may be some trouble in getting a license.

The California promotion committee has completed the California state building, a modified Mexican baroque, which will be one of the most ornate buildings of the Alaska Yukon Pacific exposition which opens in Seattle June 1.

HISTORY OF CRATER LAKE AS WRITTEN BY ITS CHIEF BOOSTER WILLIAM G. STEEL

(By William Gladstone Steel.)

Crater Lake is situated on the summit of the Cascade range of mountains in southern Oregon, three miles from the Jacksonville and Fort Klamath wagon road, from which the government has constructed a road on an easy grade to the rim of the lake.

It rests in the center of a great mountain, the top of which has disappeared, leaving a circular 4000 feet deep and five and one-half miles in diameter. The lake itself is 1900 feet deep, and fills the cauldron about half full. Near shore on the westerly side is a circular island, or smaller one, 845 feet high, known as Wizard Island, in the top of which is an extinct crater 100 feet deep and 500 feet in diameter.

Once I left camp in the night and pulled out upon the lake's placid surface, then sat quietly in my boat and gazed at the heavens above and the heavens below. A vast ball of a universe was around and about me and I suspended in the center.

The shell of a mountain in which Crater Lake rests was not always a shell, but once towered grandly in the heavens as a giant among mountains. It belched forth fire and lava for a time, then settled within itself, and all that portion above timber line, or 8000 feet elevation, disappeared.

There is but one Crater Lake. Professor Joseph Le Conte was a great admirer of Yellowstone and Yosemite. Many years ago, when stranding together on the rim of the lake, looked him over it compared with them. With deep emotion he replied: "Yellowstone has its glories, and so have the Yosemite and Crater lakes, but the grandeur is not in common. You cannot compare one to the other. There is but one Crater Lake."

Movement for a National Park. On August 16, 1853, the nation started a movement to create a national park to include Crater Lake and on January 20, 1895, President Cleveland signed a proclamation withdrawing from the public domain the six greatest natural wonders of the American continent.

great that he felt no such bill could ever pass congress, consequently he favored giving the land to Oregon in trust for a park. The writer objected seriously to this, for the reason that the state would never make proper provision for its maintenance.

Making the Lake Known

Previous to 1885 very few people, even in Oregon, had ever heard of Crater Lake; so, when starting a movement for a national park it became apparent that to succeed the lake must first be made known.

One thousand copies of the circular letter describing the lake were printed, together with an equal number of circular letters to editors, setting forth a plan for a national park encompassing the lake.

Three boats were built in Portland, two shiffs and one four-oared hip strake, two shiffs and one four-oared hip strake, two shiffs and one four-oared hip strake, two shiffs and one four-oared hip strake.

Immediately after the boats were placed on the water engineers were stationed with plane-tables, so as to take observations at right angles with each other, and the closedwork was started around the center of the lake to do the sounding. The lead was attached to a wire and handled with a stand. When the lead reached bottom and the wire was taut, a signal was given and instantly an observer was flashed back with hydrographs.

BUSINESS MEN TO TENDER TO LOBBYISTS BANQUET

Good Time Planned for Reception of Workers in Salem as Mark of Appreciation for Effort on Behalf of Crater Bill

A movement is on foot to tender to the returning lobbyists to whose constant efforts is due the passage of the Crater Lake road bill, a monster banquet on next Monday evening, providing that they return before that time.

JAILED WHILE PANNING RARE ANTIQUE JEWELRY

OAKLAND, Feb. 20.—While bartering with a pawnbroker in Broadway near Sixth street this afternoon, attempting to sell jewels of several hundred dollars value Ernest Nigrette, a young man, was arrested on suspicion of burglary.

DIAZ ORDERS FLAG ON CATHEDRAL LOWERED

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 20.—According to advices from the City of Mexico, a sensation was created among the Catholics of the capital city last Saturday when the Mexican flag, which had been hoisted over the cathedral in honor of Archbishop Jose Maria del Rio, was hauled down by federal soldiers, on orders from the government officials.

MEVEAGH IS OFFERED TREASURY PORTFOLIO

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Further color to the report that the portfolio of secretary of the treasury in Mr. Taft's cabinet had been informally tendered to Franklin McVeagh of Chicago, was given today by an assertion in business circles that Mr. McVeagh had decided to withdraw from his leadership in his wholesale grocery business and his directorship in the Commercial National bank.

BIRTH RATE INCREASES, DEATH RATE DECREASES

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 20.—More births and fewer deaths were reported to the state board of health from San Francisco, Los Angeles and Oakland, the three leading cities in California, in 1908 than in 1907. The 1908 births in San Francisco numbered 6058, against 5728 in 1907. The deaths numbered 82,200 and 65,755 respectively.

ROGUE FISH BILL KILLED IN LATE MIDNIGHT RUSH

SEATTLE BUNCH HERE SUNDAY

Carrying Message of the Seattle Fair to Oregon and California

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 20.—The message of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific will be carried to the states of Oregon and California by representatives of the Seattle and Tacoma chambers of commerce and a large party of excursionists which left Seattle this morning by special train.

SENATE WORKS UNTIL 2 A. M.

Passes Heavy Appropriation Bills—Bowerman Given Gold Watch

FISKIYOU COUNTY TO EXHIBIT AT SEATTLE FAIR

MONTAGUE, Cal., Feb. 20.—Siskiyou will be well represented at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle next summer if the present plans are carried out. The board of supervisors made an appropriation of \$2000 yesterday for this purpose and appointed a commission consisting of five members of the board and F. J. Norton, secretary of the Yreka chamber of commerce, to prepare an exhibit as nearly complete as possible of the varied resources and vast wealth of the empire of Siskiyou.

BULLSHEAD BREAKFAST ON COLLEGE CAMPUS

RENO, Feb. 20.—In order to raise \$7000 for the new science building, the students of the University of Nevada will give a "bull'shead" breakfast at the university of Nevada on Washington's birthday. The affair has been taken in hand by a number of Reno citizens, who plan to make it the biggest affair in college annals.

PAPAGO TONGUE IS TO BE 'CANNED'

BERRIEN, Cal., Feb. 20.—The tongue of the Papago Indians of Arizona, said by students of phonetics to be a language so intricate that it is one of the most difficult in the world to acquire, will be "canned" for use of the members of the department of anthropology of the university in solving the dialect.

SLEEPS ON WIFE'S SCREAMS SCARE BURGLARS

ELMHURST, Feb. 20.—Awakened by a noise in her room, Mrs. A. Altes, wife of a structural engineer, was so startled at seeing a man near her bed searching her husband's clothes that she screamed. The burglar fled with a \$50 gold watch.

SUES MAN WHO ACCUSED HIM OF EMBEZZLEMENT

VALLEJO, Feb. 20.—Albion H. Morse, who was arrested a month ago at the instance of Charles Lang, a former partner, who charged that he had misappropriated funds, has brought suit for \$15,000 damages against Lang for defamation of character. Morse was released at the preliminary examination for lack of evidence and he now seeks not only damages, but also instituted a second suit in which he demanded an accounting for the business in which he and Lang formerly engaged in operating gasoline lampshades in this city.

WILL INVOKE VOTE ON BILL

Effort to Concentrate Strength Would Have Jeopardized Crater Lake Bill - Hume Defended

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 20.—At 1 o'clock this morning the senate, worn out by strenuous day's work, tired not in a vicious mood, sounded the death knell of the hopes of the Rogue river anglers by the defeat of house bill 293, which limited the open season to three months, by a vote of 15 to 13.

The bill was drawn by the master fish warden and endorsed by the Rogue River Fish Protective association, numbering 500 anglers and sportsmen of northern Oregon, and agreed to by the Jackson and Josephine county delegations and approved by all the commercial organizations of southern Oregon.

Hume Interests Defended.

The Hume interests were warmly defended by Hodges, Chase and Abraham. Norton and Malt led the forces in support of the bill, Norton making an effective talk for the measure. The Rogue river sportsmen state that since the legislature refuses the request for protection and desires a single firm to outwigh the wishes of 40,000 residents, their only recourse is an initiative bill to close the river entirely.

RUTTE FALLS ITEMS.

Mell Boughton brought J. H. Miller down to Medford on Wednesday. Mr. Miller starts for Michigan with his family in a few days.

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The burglar fled with a \$50 gold watch. Altes did not awaken until the thief had gone with his timepiece. He slept through the intrusion and the screams and was aroused only when his wife shook him.

Then he began to seek the burglar and found merely a trail of his clothing scattered from his front door to a fence over which the burglar had vaulted.

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THE BIRTHS FOR 1908 WERE 4999, AS COMPARED WITH 4291 THE YEAR BEFORE. THE DEATHS WERE 3752 LAST YEAR AND 4445 IN 1907.

The births for Oakland in 1908 numbered 1826, against 1824 in 1907. The deaths were respectively 1596 and 1950.