

OREGON LOSES BY LACK OF EFFORT

Irrigation Fund Divided According to Pull.

INFLUENCE GETS MILLIONS

Oregon Entitled by Equity to Over \$12,000,000.

GETS BEGGARLY FRACTION

West Umatilla Turned Down as New Project, Yet Millions Are Given Other New Projects Because Senators Pull Hard.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 5.—It is glaringly apparent from the full text of the report of the Board of Army Engineers on Government irrigation projects sent to Congress today, that liberal allotments from the \$55,000,000 fund might have been procured for Oregon had diligent efforts been put forth in behalf of the state before the report was approved by the President.

Not only do the Army Engineers report that the Klamath and West Umatilla projects are feasible, but they express the opinion that both should be built by the Reclamation Service. From an engineering as well as an agricultural standpoint, these two projects are shown to compare favorably with the others examined by the Board. But, because of pressure exerted by influential Senators from other states, the Board recommended no present allotment for the West Umatilla project and gave Klamath only \$200,000, when it needs about \$2,500,000 to complete it.

Oregon Slighted Deliberately. "The West Umatilla project should be postponed for the present," says the Board, "on account of the large amount of money needed for completion of other projects to which the United States is committed by large expenditures already made." Substantially the same thing is said of two units of the Klamath project.

Yet, in the face of this declaration, the Board recommended and the President approved allotments for the Goshute Hole project, in Wyoming, for the Grand Valley project, in Colorado, for the Sun River, in Montana, and the Rio Grande, in Texas and Mexico, aggregating more than \$15,000,000, and all of these are new projects, to which the Government has never before been committed and none of which it was morally obligated to build at this time.

The Goshute Hole and Grand Valley projects are on equal footing with the West Umatilla, but being virtually new works. The Sun River is an entirely independent and new project and the Rio Grande lies in a state and a foreign land that have contributed not one cent to the reclamation fund, while Oregon contributed over \$9,000,000.

Influence Is Explanation. Influence was brought to bear to secure allotments for these four projects; no influence was brought to bear in behalf of Oregon's projects. That alone accounts for discrimination against Oregon. No other conclusion can be reached from reading the report.

Equitably Oregon was entitled to a very large slice of the \$55,000,000 fund, not alone because of its heavy contribution to the reclamation fund, but because the state has been ignored heretofore. Having contributed over 14 per cent of the money already spent for reclamation, it was entitled on a percentage basis to 14 per cent, or \$7,700,000, out of the big fund, and it received less than \$1,000,000. In addition to this, there is due the state out of the regular reclamation fund about \$6,000,000 more. But its total benefits, if the original apportionment be maintained, will be \$35,000.

West Side Project New One.

The Board, in its report, says the West Side Umatilla project, while properly an extension of the present project, "inasmuch as it will receive its water from the same source and the contiguous to the area at present to be irrigated, is in the nature of new work, as its development bears in no way upon the completion of the present unit of the project.

The extension, covering 40,000 to 60,000 acres, would require the construction of a reservoir of a capacity of 155,000 acre-feet by damming the Umatilla River near the mouth of Butter Creek. This gravity plan could be supplemented to cover an additional 20,000 acres by electric pumping, should further extension be deemed desirable. Reservations on the Deschutes River for a dam site, which will develop power, have been made, the power to be used in pumping water from gravity canals or from the Columbia River to areas not irrigated by the gravity system. If the water supply is sufficient, the total area of the proposed extension can be extended to 100,000 acres, including the pumping project.

In the proposed gravity system there are 17,000 acres of public land. The remaining land belongs to the Northern Pacific Railway Company or is now owned privately. The water supply, in the judgment of the Board, would be sufficient for 50,000 acres and the cost of this extension, exclusive of pump-

FAKE BURGLARY IS BAR TO WEDDING

MAN TAKES QUEER WAY OF EXPOSING WEALTH SHAM.

When He Fires Revolver and Says Intruder Robbed Him, Parents of Tacoma Girl Oust Him.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Miss Nellie Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Curtis, 4323 South L street, was to have been married last night at the family residence to Gerald Gage, of Balboa, Cal., and the affair was to have been a social event of no small note in the South End. The wedding failed to take place, however, and today it developed that it had been declared off. Miss Curtis is prostrated with grief.

Discharging a revolver twice and shouting that he had been robbed of his wealth by a burglar who had also tried to murder him, Gage created a scene about 5 o'clock yesterday morning that resulted in his ejection from the Curtis home and he has left the city at the request of the police.

The bridegroom-to-be made a confession to the police in which he admitted he had fired the shots and had faked the robbery story. He is said to have represented himself as wealthy when he came to Tacoma and the police are of the opinion that his sensational actions were part of a plan to reveal his true financial standing.

Gage is engaged in business in Balboa and has been acquainted with the girl since they were children. The engagement, announced a week ago, came as a climax to a long correspondence courtship. Several social affairs have been given in honor of Miss Curtis.

During his stay in Tacoma Gage lived at the Curtis home.

PACIFIC TO BE DEFENDED

Taft Promises Delegation More Coast Defense Vessels.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 5.—Representatives Ellis and Hawley, with Senator Jones and Representative Humphrey and several members of the California delegation today had a long conference with President Taft regarding the necessity for better protection of the Pacific Coast. Particularly they appealed for more submarines and torpedo boats.

The upshot of the conference was that both the President and Secretary Taft expressed themselves favorably upon the demand of the Pacific Coast delegation and legislation will be drafted and formally recommended by the Secretary of the Navy authorizing an increased number of coast defense vessels for the Pacific Coast.

This legislation will have behind it the full strength of the Administration.

The number of submarines was fixed tentatively at six and the number of torpedo boats at four from six.

Neither Oregon Senator was present at the conference.

BUSINESS COURT PLANNED

New York Men Want to Settle Disputes Without Delay.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The establishment of a commercial court for the voluntary settlement of business disputes among merchants was decided upon by the New York Chamber of Commerce today.

The court may hear all business disputes among members of the board and by prior written agreements to be entered into by both parties to any controversy, its judgments will be as effective as those of the Supreme Court. Expedient in the settlement of business disputes often delayed for years in courts of law, is one of the objects sought.

PROHIBITION IS KILLED

Maine's Democratic Senate Passes Bill Repealing Sturgis Law.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 5.—Governor Plaisted had not been in office two hours before the Senate passed, under suspension of the rules, a bill repealing the Sturgis law, which was designated by the Republicans to enforce the prohibition law.

Many Republicans hold that the defeat of their party last September was largely due to the unpopularity of this law.

BAKER CHOPPED TO PIECES

Asleep on His Feet, He Falls Into Power Dough Mixer.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Asleep on his feet, Jacob Seligman, a baker, staggered forward into a power dough-mixer today and was drawn into the machine and chopped to pieces. He had lost much sleep lately, attending his sick wife, who was operated on last night for appendicitis. The wife will recover to care for six children and carry on the business.

LEFT-HANDED WIFE SUES

Too Much Ridicule, She Avers in Divorce Suit.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Cruel and inhuman treatment constitute the grounds given by Maud Roden in her suit for divorce from Frederick W. Roden. She avers he frequently ridiculed her because she was left-handed. Roden is manager of the Merchants Credit Rating House.

EX-POLICE CHIEF OF SPOKANE SHOT

John Sullivan Cannot Live, It Is Feared.

LEAD CRASHES IN WINDOW

Assassin Fires While Veteran Officer Is at Home.

DESPERADO IS SUSPECTED

Police Search for F. J. Hanley Who, When Convicted, Swore Vengeance—Victim Blames Press and Attorney.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 5.—Sitting peacefully by his fireside tonight about 9 o'clock, Captain John T. Sullivan, of the local police force, was shot through the right lung and now lies at death's door in a hospital.

The bullet came through the window, penetrated the back of a chair half an inch thick, perforated the lung and emerged at the right breast and dropped into Sullivan's lap.

The assailant had evidently approached close to the window, fired one shot and disappeared in the darkness leaving no clue as to his identity.

Victim Keeps Head.

The only other persons in the house were Sullivan's two children and a domestic. Mrs. Sullivan was at a theater. As soon as he was shot, Captain Sullivan cried:

"I am shot, tell the neighbors."

Then he dragged himself to the telephone and notified the police station. He sank down and was on the floor when found by neighbors. To the first who entered, Sullivan said, holding up the bullet, "Here it is; this is what did the work."

Though bleeding profusely, Captain Sullivan retained remarkable self-possession. As soon as possible, he was hurried to the hospital where every effort is being made to save his life, but the doctors hold out no hope.

Ex-Convict Under Suspicion.

The first suspicion of the police were of J. S. Hanley, a noted criminal who had made threats against Sullivan. Hanley was caught by Sullivan about October, 1901, after holding up a man on the Howard-street bridge. In the encounter, he shot Sullivan. He was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary.

It was then he said he would "get" Sullivan. He served his term and was released about 11 months ago. The police are now looking for him.

Sullivan has long been connected with the Spokane police force and has an excellent record. About five years ago he was promoted from Sergeant to Captain and until a few months ago was acting Chief for two years.

Mrs. Sullivan was found at the theater and the bad news broken to her. The two children are quite young, one three years old and the other only a few months.

Shot Well Planned.

Captain Sullivan lives with his family, a wife and young baby and a domestic, in a pretty residence section of Spokane. With Mrs. Sullivan at the theater, the nearest neighbors also were out and

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WHAT PORTLAND IS DOING.

All the big things that Portland is doing will be described in the "Fiftieth Anniversary Edition of The Oregonian" (daily) to be published February 4. Construction of bridges, extension of Portland's fine water system, improvement of many miles of streets, laying out of additional parks, building of a new Courthouse and prospective erection of a splendid Postoffice are some of the public works to be described. The great building activity, growth of shipping, manufacturing, banking and other departments of trade and commerce will also be subject for comment.

This is an era of great achievements in Portland. In no other way can the city be advertised so well as by telling the people in the East and Middle West what is being done here. The Anniversary Oregonian will be the best possible medium for conveying this information.

BLOW AIMED AT ASIATICS

California Legislator Wants Aliens Prohibited From Owning Land.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 5.—All aliens not eligible to citizenship are prohibited from owning or leasing land in California, by terms of a bill prepared by Senator Sanford, of Ukiah, for presentation at today's afternoon session of the Senate. The bill was offered two years ago and attracted wide attention. The support of the Asiatic Exclusion League is claimed for it.

Under its provisions, the 200,000 or more acres of California land now held by Japanese or Chinese must eventually revert to the state unless citizenship meanwhile is conferred upon these people, and no more land can be obtained by them.

A state-wide vote for United States Senator, the adoption of the Oregon primary law, and the levying of an income tax are contemplated by other measures.

DE GOGORZA'S VOICE GONE

Baritone Is Unable to Give Scheduled Concert in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 5.—Emilio de Gogorza, the baritone soloist whose engagement to Madame Emma Eames was announced last week, was unable to appear at the symphony concert tonight on account of a serious affection of his throat.

He rehearsed with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra this afternoon. To his amazement and that of those present, his voice broke when he attempted to reach the higher notes. He left the theater immediately and returned to his hotel, locking himself in his room. He had complained of no illness and his friends are unable to account for the trouble, which they believe is only temporary.

OREGON GETS NEW ROAD

Pendleton May Be Terminus of Alturas Extension.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Three thousand tons of steel rails for the extension of its line from Alturas, Cal., far into Oregon, with Pendleton as the probable terminus, were ordered today by the Nevada California & Oregon Railroad.

The rails will begin to arrive within the next 60 days. Within 30 days the contract for the construction of the extension will be let. J. J. Hill has secured control of the road, it is generally supposed.

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WILSON DECLARES OPERATION NEEDED

System's Machine Must Be Cut Off as Wart.

SMITH IS FAITHFUL SERVANT

Fierce Broadside Fired in Jersey Senatorial War.

BUSINESS POLITICAL ISSUE

Governor Says Interests Seek Control of Both Parties—Martine Asked to Stay in Fight and His Election Predicted.

JERSEY CITY, Jan. 5.—"God defend us against compromise; I would rather be a knave than a coward."

Woodrow Wilson, Governor-elect of New Jersey thus declared his attitude tonight in his first direct appeal to the people since the opening of the Senatorial contest.

He spoke to an audience that filled to overflowing the hall where his first address in the campaign that resulted in his election was made. At every reiteration of his determination to fight to the last for the election of James Martine to the United States Senate, he was cheered.

Turning to Mr. Martine, who sat on the platform, he said:

"I appeal to Mr. Martine never, under any circumstances to withdraw."

Machine Is Wart to Be Cut Off.

Dr. Wilson opened his address with an arraignment of James Smith, Jr., Martine's opponent, as the representative of special interests. He declared that his attack was not personal, that he implied nothing against Mr. Smith except that he could think in terms of all America only as the great corporations thought.

Any suggestion that there was a split in New Jersey Democracy Dr. Wilson denied.

"It is not a dangerous or capital operation to cut off a wart," he said, "and it is being done. The clinic is open and every man can witness the operation. When any organization sets itself above the party which it undertakes to serve, or would have you believe that it pretends to serve, then it is time for the operation; the wart must be removed."

"Business interests are involved in this matter and not political principles. These business interests intend, if they can, to own any organization that is the governing organization in the affairs of America. They cannot own it if the business is done in the open.

System Belongs to Both Parties.

"I want to point out to you that James Smith, Jr. represents not a party but a system, a system of political control which does not belong to either party and which, so far as it can be successfully managed, must belong to both parties. Under this system, it is just as necessary to maintain and subsidize, if possible, a faithful and subservient minority as it is just as important to see that nobody in the minority jumps the track as it is to see generally supposed.

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MALCOLM STAYS; BOURNE PROTESTS

REAPPOINTMENT AS COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS ASSURED.

Oregon Representatives Indorse Him, President Approves and So Does Treasury Department.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 5.—P. S. Malcolm is to be reappointed Collector of Customs for the district of Oregon, over the protest of Senator Bourne. But for the death of Senator Elkins, which shut off all business today, Mr. Malcolm's nomination would have been sent in this afternoon. It is expected to be submitted when the Senate reconvenes on Monday.

Senator Bourne, as is well known, favored appointment of Thomas McCueker for this office, but Mr. Malcolm's record is highly satisfactory to the Treasury Department and largely on this account President Taft decided to give him another term.

The practice of retaining efficient men has been followed in other states. Mr. Malcolm, however, was strongly indorsed by many prominent Republicans in Oregon. His reappointment will prove highly gratifying to both Representatives from Oregon, for they have both gone on record in his behalf.

Malcolm's nomination will be referred to the commerce committee for a report and Senator Bourne, being a member of that committee, may undertake to prevent favorable action. However, as the President is guided primarily by Mr. Malcolm's splendid record and as the Treasury Department favors his retention, it is not expected that any purely political objection will prevail. His ultimate confirmation is expected.

MAIL MONOPOLY ASKED

Representative Wants All Privileges Held by Government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—To determine whether the Government has the power to enforce its mail-carrying monopoly so as to prevent express companies from handling second, third and fourth-class mail matter, Representative Murdock, of Kansas, offered a resolution in the House today asking for an investigation by the judiciary committee.

The Government monopoly of mail-carrying extends "to letters and packages." Ex-Attorney-General McVeigh in 1881 held that the word "packages" meant packets of letters; and under such construction, the express companies have been allowed to carry everything except first-class mail in direct competition with the Government.

If an inquiry determines the Government has not power to compel the transportation of all second, third and fourth-class matter through the Postoffice Department, Representative Murdock asks that the judiciary committee suggest legislation necessary to accomplish such an end.

COMMISSION IS COSTLY

December Payroll for City of Tacoma One of Largest Yet.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Tacoma's commission form of government established another record for itself last month in the way of "economy." The city's payroll for December was the largest since the commission form of government went into effect, and came close to breaking all records. The Spring election, and which carried hundreds of excess voters until after election, amounted to \$13,876.64. The December payroll amounted to \$70,355.97. For November it was \$66,948.50.

TABLE MANNERS OFFEND

So Young Spokane Artist Gets Divorce From Wife.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—He liked me fine before we were married, and never found fault with me," said pretty Mabel Sheekels, a young divorcée, granted a decree by the Superior Court about Glenn Sheekels, an artist, "but as soon as we were married he found fault with my table manners and grammar."

"He would knock my arms from the table if I touched my elbows to the tablecloth and he did not think I could talk well enough to his mother, who came to live with us."

5-YEAR-OLD BOY SLAYER

Child Confesses He Accidentally Killed Grandmother.

DANVILLE, Ky., Jan. 5.—After his father had been arrested in connection with the shooting to death of his grandmother, a 5-year-old boy here today confessed that he had shot the woman accidentally yesterday and had run away to escape a whipping.

The victim was Mrs. Nancy Carter, 69 years old. Her body was found in her home at Junction City, four miles south of here. The woman's son, Clayton Carter, who had been making his home with his mother, was placed in jail.

BOY KILLED IN TAG GAME

So Young Wife of Spokane Artist Gets Divorce.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Percy Holland, the 6-year-old son of C. W. Holland, was struck today by a Union Park car of the traction company and instantly killed.

With four little companions, he was playing tag in the street. One of the playmates cried "Look out for the car," but an instant later the car struck him and dragged him beneath the fender,

MAD COYOTES KILL; FEDERAL AID SENT

Wallowa County Residents in Terror.

TO EXTERMINATE IS DECREE

Rabies Epidemic Among Persons, Sheep and Dogs.

EXPERT MARKSMEN SENT

Government, State and County Officials Take Action to Kill Frenzied Animals, Cause of Fatal Scourge.

Twelve hunters in the employ of the Forestry Service will be sent to Wallowa County to assist the state and county officials in exterminating rabid coyotes. The Government hunters are all expert marksmen besides being versed in trapping and poisoning. They are expected to aid greatly in killing the coyotes that have bitten persons, dogs, sheep and cattle, spreading hydrophobia and causing a reign of terror throughout the county.

Mad coyotes have rushed into flocks of sheep, snapping promiscuously; have bitten dogs and invaded barnyards, biting pigs, horses and cows, and in one instance attacked a boy.

The boy was John Bosley, 7 years old. A mad coyote came into the school yard just as the children were dismissed for the noon hour. They chased the coyote into a neighboring barnyard, where the animal bit a pig, attacked the Bosley boy, badly lacerating his face, and nearly destroyed one eye. The animal then bit a sheep. The boy was brought to Portland and was given the Pasteur treatment by Dr. Calvin S. Wilbur, secretary of the State Board of Health. Both the pig and the sheep developed rabies, which is considered ample evidence that the boy was thoroughly inoculated with hydrophobia germs, but he has finished the prescribed course of treatment and been sent home cured.

Sheepherder Is Bitten.

Later, Luther Johnson, 19 years old, while herding sheep, was bitten by his own dog, after it had been bitten by a mad coyote that rushed into the meat of a flock. Many of the sheep bitten died of rabies and the dog was killed. Johnson is now under the care of Dr. White and is daily receiving an injection of serum sent by the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service from Washington, D. C. Fear of a spread of the disease was so great that Johnson was placed under arrest and handcuffed when it was learned he had been bitten by his dog.

Yesterday the head of a dog belonging

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