

### HASTE IS URGED ON CRATER LAKE ROAD

Army Engineer's Report Tells Scenic Beauty Traversed by Proposed Highways.

### OREGON'S BENEFIT SHOWN

Completion of Project Before Opening of 1915 Fair Pressed in Order That Tourists May Visit Great National Park.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 24.—"It is doubtful if any view existing in the world today is as impressive and at the same time as beautiful as the view of Crater Lake from the rim," said Major Jay J. Morrow, of the Army Engineering Corps, in transmitting a report to the War Department...

Coupled with his appreciation of the scenic beauty of Crater Lake Park, Major Morrow urgently recommends that the main roads, which he has made surveys and estimates, be pushed to completion in order that thousands who visit the San Francisco Exposition in 1915 may, en route to or from Portland, stop off a day and see the park.

Figures Declared Reasonable. About 42 miles of good roads and 100 miles of trails, in the opinion of Major Morrow, will enable the tourist to reach the most important spots in the park with facility and at a cost which he estimates to be high, but believes the expenditure is fully justified...

It probably will be somewhat difficult to secure an appropriation of \$100,000 this season for beginning work on the Crater Lake roads, for the House is inclined to hold down appropriations, and National park improvements are never regarded as of vital importance.

Crater Lake Park is about as accessible to San Francisco as it is to Portland, or will be when the Natron cut-off is completed, and California will benefit as much as Oregon from tourist travel.

Road Extension Needed. "It is of paramount importance," says Major Morrow in his report to the War Department, "to build a road encircling the crater as near its rim as possible, in order that the lake may be viewed from all possible points. It also is necessary to build roads from the rim road to the two entrances, utilizing the existing roads as much as possible, and to provide for a road to the eastern boundary, as this will shortly be the principal entrance to the park, when the Natron cut-off is completed."

"The railroad then will be only ten miles from the park. It is also advisable to build a road leading to the Pinnacles, which can later be extended to a fourth entrance, if desired. About 100 miles of trails are necessary to make accessible other spots which can hardly be reached by roads."

The detailed estimates submitted to Congress by Major Morrow are as follows: Rim road, around the rim of the crater, 22 miles, \$420,000. Road to the Pinnacles, 10 miles, \$100,000. Road down Bear Creek, 2 miles, \$80,000. Road to Fort, 10 miles, \$70,000. Road to Medford entrance, 6 1/2 miles, \$7,000. 100 miles of trails, \$25,000.

Medford Approach Mentioned. "The approach from Fort Klamath to the rim of the lake at the present lodge of the Crater Lake Company should first be built by grading only, and then the grading of the rim road from the lodge of Roundtop, a distance of 20 miles, should be completed," says Major Morrow.

"After the completion of this work, if the Natron cut-off is completed, the Bear Creek road should then be improved by surfacing, while the remaining portion of the rim road is being graded. The road to the Pinnacles should be undertaken last of all."

"The first appropriation should be \$100,000, with \$75,000 for the next two years, and after that \$100,000 a year until the system is finished. The grading from Klamath entrance and the Bear Creek or eastern entrance, including 20 miles of the rim road connecting the two establishments of the Crater Lake Company, together with considerable surfacing of this much of the system, could be completed in three working seasons, and all of this road, together with the Medford entrance, could be graded and surfaced by the end of the fourth season."

Early Construction Urged. "It is the opinion of this office that as much of this work as possible should be completed prior to the San Francisco Exposition in 1915, in which event the trip to the park will be one of the favorite side trips of tourists going from Portland to San Francisco, the continuing contract, providing for the completion of the entire road system, similar to continuing contracts on river and harbor contracts, is strongly recommended."

The road around the rim of the lake is planned to cross the face of the Watchman Pass, behind Glacier Peak, returning to the rim before passing behind Lion Rock, the ridge following the rim closely until Cloudcap is reached. It then passes successively behind the mountain masses of the inside slopes of Mount Scott and Dutton Cliff, but returns to the rim again at Sun Creek Notch, from which point it recedes, passing behind Vidoe and Garfield Peaks. It returns to the rim at the site of the present lodge of the Crater Lake Company, following the rim thence to Watchman. The total length of the rim road is between 25 and 26 miles.

Turks to Close Italian Banks. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 24.—The Turkish government announces its intention to close all the Italian banks and similar establishments operating in Turkey.

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### KILLING IS ADMITTED

#### PRISONER SAYS HE SLEW MEN WHO CAUGHT HIM ROBBING.

Albert Balsom Who Told Wife He Would Get Money for Christmas Now Held as Murderer.

NELSON, R. C., Dec. 24.—Albert F. Balsom, who was arrested Saturday after the discovery of the bodies of Caleb A. Barton and Jack Gould, lying on the floor in the Manhattan saloon, made a written confession, the police say, in which he admitted that he killed the men when they entered the place early Saturday while he was attempting to rob the safe.

The police were attracted to the saloon by the sound of revolver shots, and when they entered Barton and Gould were found dead.

### PAROLED BOYS RETURNED

#### Steer Stolen by Youngsters Who Are Sent Back to Salem.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Dick Garrett and "Chick" Wright, who were paroled on recommendation of the State Parole Board, will be returned to the Oregon Penitentiary for violation of their paroles.

Garrett was originally sent from Grant County for obtaining money under false pretenses, and Wright from Douglas County for larceny. Garrett's ranch was recommended by the Sheriff of Prineville and other business men of that place, on condition that Garrett return and work on his father's ranch, his father being a prosperous and influential man of Crook County.

### RUFFIANS ROB WOMAN

#### LANDLADY AT ELKTON HOUSE LOSES EARRINGS.

Two Men Force Her to Take Off Diamonds Valued at \$450, Lock Her in Room and Escape.

Attacked for the third time within a year in the Elkton rooming-house, 42 1/2 North Sixth street, by robbers, Mrs. Adelle Sullivan, keeper of the house, was relieved of a pair of diamond earrings which she values at \$450, early yesterday. The robbers also took \$26 from her purse and carried away a bunch of keys, shutting off access to every door and drawer in the house.

On one former occasion a robber fired a shot at Mrs. Sullivan through a door and on another she herself fired a rusty pistol after retreating thence.

### INDUSTRIAL COURSE KNOWN SOON

#### SALEM, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—

Superintendent Alderman announced today that a plan is under way to make industrial work one of the required courses in the high school course of study throughout the state. Only a tentative plan has been arranged and is being held subject to criticism and approval, but before long the entire industrial course as it will be required in the high schools will be announced.

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