

OPEN-RIVER-TO-SEA
KEENLY INTERESTED

Delegates Will Make Effort to Attract Attention of Congress.

LEWISTON MEETING PLACE

Delegates to Annual Convention of Columbia-Snake River Waterways Association Are in Earnest and Will Push Plans.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Imbued with open-rivers-to-the-sea ideas, accumulated since the recent session of the Columbia-Snake River Waterways Association at Pasco, 100 delegates from many towns of the Inland Empire and Columbia-Snake River basins, arrived in this city today to attend the third annual convention of that association.

It is intended that such action will be taken tomorrow when the convention virtually opens for business that will attract the attention of Congress to the expediency of immediately opening these two main thoroughfares of navigation of the inland Empire to communication with coast points and ultimately in co-operation with the Orient and Panama Canal district.

Dr. N. G. Bialock, of Walls, Walla, who for the past 20 years has been interested in the open river movement, struck the keynote this afternoon when he said:

"We are here first to attract the attention of Congress to the necessity of appropriating the needed \$1,250,000 to complete the canal, to improve the Snake and Columbia Rivers to render the barriers now dangerous and unnavigable at times of the year, safe and sure of navigation, ultimately to contribute to the generation of power and irrigation of the vast lands along their banks. We must subserve all other things to these and make this stand out so forcefully that Congress cannot turn us down."

Will Present Resolutions. The committee appointed by President Professor W. L. Lyman, of Whitman College, and director of the Rivers and Harbors Congress, which will draw up the resolutions for adoption, named today are: Dr. J. B. Morris, E. A. Cox, Lewiston; Dr. N. G. Bialock, Walla; E. A. Mungler, Pasco, and Professor Merton Ulrich, University of Idaho, Moscow.

Communications were read at the session tonight from Governor of the states of the Northwest, Representatives and Senators, which indicate that co-operation will be at hand to assure moral support will be given to appropriations. Letters were read from Senator Bourne, A. W. Lafferty, W. C. Hawley, Governor West, Senator Chamberlain, J. H. Young, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad Company, which stated that every effort would be made to get the appropriations.

JUDGE TERRELL IS DEAD

Widely-Known Resident of Marion County Dies at Mehama.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Judge G. P. Terrell, a widely known resident of Marion County, is dead this morning at Mehama, after a lingering illness. He was 76 years old.

Judge Terrell came to Oregon from Vermont in the early '60s and for a number of years was employed as a clerk by Eugene and Werner Breyman and John C. Wright. These were all pioneer merchants. Mr. Wright is now situated at the sawmill here and resided with his daughter, Mrs. Lilla Irvine. He is also survived by a son, Ralph, of Roseburg.

While he was acting as County Commissioner one of the accomplishments Mr. Terrell assisted in was the completion of a topographic map of the county, which has proved of immense value in the development of this section and the original of which is still in use. He was a member of the Elks, Oddfellows and United Workmen.

Mining Activity Is Renewed.

NAMPA, Idaho, Oct. 4.—(Special.)—George L. Bilven, a mining man of Portland, Or., and H. T. Welch, of San Jose, Cal., returned yesterday from an inspection trip of various parts of the Inland Empire, and are very enthusiastic over the renewed activity in that section, where many valuable properties are being opened. The renaissance of this mining section has greatly handicapped it in the past, but the prospects of a railroad passing within a few miles has been a incentive for much prospecting on new locations and development work on the old. These gentlemen predict that it will become a great producer within a few years. Mr. Welch is prominent in California. His son has been Mayor of San Jose for three consecutive terms.

Cronin to Return to New York.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—For the larceny of "two hundred and fifty pennies, each penny being worth the full value of one cent," as the indictment reads, Matthew Cronin will be taken back to Onondaga County, New York, to stand trial on a charge of burglary in the third degree. Cronin is under arrest in Pendleton, and extradition papers were issued by the executive offices today. Cronin made an escape from the New York jail, and also attempted to escape from the Pendleton jail.

PROMINENT FIGURES AT EUGENE COMMERCIAL CLUB BANQUET



ABOVE, ROBERT E. STRAHORN—BELOW, LEFT, J. S. MUGLADRY, PRESIDENT EUGENE COMMERCIAL CLUB, AND, RIGHT, R. E. MOODY, ONE OF THE SPEAKERS.

STRAHORN IN GUEST

Railroad President Speaks at Eugene Club.

MILLIONS SPENT NEAR CITY

Suggestion Made That More Exhibits Be Placed on Industrial Exhibits at Fairs than on Horse Races.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—

Completion of the electrifying of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern lines between Portland and Eugene within the next nine months was forecast by President Robert E. Strahorn in his talk at the banquet tendered him this evening by the Eugene Commercial Club.

He said at the outset that he had no new projects to announce, but could best explain something of the magnitude of the work that the company is undertaking. In the vicinity of Eugene alone, he estimated, there would be spent this fiscal year nearly \$2,000,000.

First planning of this system begun less than two years ago and the amount of work now going on is remarkable. By a year from now, he said, there should be 100 trains a day running into Eugene on all lines.

Mr. Strahorn turned his remarks rather to a consideration of means of building up the country to provide for a continuance of the prosperity brought by the spending here of millions of outside money. More emphasis on industrial exhibits at fairs and less on horse races was one suggestion. He was served in the clubrooms by the women of the Christian Church. The principal decoration of the table was a huge floral semaphore, presented to Mr. Strahorn by Manager Duryea, of the club, the semaphore arm down to indicate a clear track for the Portland, Eugene & Eastern to enter Eugene.

"WETS" ASK ANOTHER VOTE

Petition Filed for Submission of Liquor Question.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—A petition was filed today asking that the question of licensing saloons be submitted to the voters of Eugene again this year and the clerk is checking over the names to reject non-registered voters.

COST OF PLEASURE STEEP

Yacolt Saloonkeeper Has Naive Defense for Game Law Violation.

of the humiliation and mental anguish. Southernland was brought to Vancouver from Yacolt last week, by George Johnson, Deputy Game Warden, and was charged with killing three pheasants out of season. Before G. L. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Southernland said that the so-called pheasants he was accused of shooting were not pheasants at all, but pheasant hawks, which prey upon pheasants. He pleaded that he was assisting in ridding the country of these hawks so that the pheasants would not be in danger.

His trial was set for last Tuesday morning and he was released on \$50 cash bail. That was on Friday. So as to be sure to get there in time for the trial, Southernland came down from Yacolt Monday and that night met a few friends, who assisted him to celebrate his visit to the city. The next day, when time of the trial came, Southernland was not in condition to be in court.

Justice Davis had Southernland haled before him and advanced the bail to \$1000. Southernland was unable to raise that amount and went to the County Jail. The trial was held before a jury today and the defendant was found guilty. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$100.75. In addition he has to pay his attorney's fee. The charge is the "fine" per se, he said, as he paid the fine.

LONG WAIT ELIMINATED

OREGON VETERANS IN LINE FOR NEW PENSIONS.

System of Handling First Cases Filed Not to Be Adhered to Rigorously, Writes Commissioner.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Oregon veterans will have an early opportunity to secure new pension certificates, according to a communication received by Representative Hawley from J. L. Lavenport, Commissioner of Pensions. He has already received more than 800 claims for pensions executed by constituent veterans.

The Commissioner of Pensions announced the policy of adjudicating the claims in the order in which they were placed on file in his office, but as the great bulk of the veterans live in the Eastern states and close to Washington, such an order placed the veterans of Oregon along toward the last of the list, as few claims from here were filed prior to May 27, 1912.

Mr. Hawley urged that while the rule may have had some good features it also is not practical in all cases, and that the veterans of Oregon should have their cases speedily adjudicated. He received the following letter today from the Commissioner of Pensions, and wishes all veterans coming within the provisions of the commission's letter to advise him of their names and number of their claims and he will ask that the cases be advanced and adjudicated promptly.

"I have in my your letter of the 21st instant, relative to delay in getting out the new pension certificates. I have to state, Mr. Hawley, that the Bureau is working overtime to get out these certificates. You will remember that the force was much depleted when the act of May 11, 1912, was passed, and that Congress kindly gave me an additional force. This force is just getting broken in, and the certificates are now going out at the rate of about 1500 per day. The output will increase. At first all cases were taken up in the order of filing. That practice operates against claimants living in far off localities, and now, when information comes to the Bureau, that a deserving soldier is in distress by reason of age, sickness or financial trouble, his claim is promptly settled.

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VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 5.—(Special.)—Three pheasants have cost Alexander Southernland, a saloonkeeper of Yacolt, about \$175 in real money, three days in the County Jail, not to speak

WILLAMETTE CHANNEL PROJECT UNITES ALL CONCERNED

Willamette Channel Project Unites All Concerned.

DATA COMMITTEE NAMED

Meeting With Major McIndoe Results in Actually Starting Campaign for Congressional Aid. County Help Necessary.

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Naming a committee to have general charge of obtaining data to assist in securing Government appropriations for the improvement of the Willamette River, the conference of representatives of the various river cities of the Upper Willamette Valley, adjourned late last night. The net result of the conference is that all of the cities of the valley are heartily united in the effort to secure information and funds to make the project a reality. The committee will organize a working committee to get into communication with all of the cities, towns and communities along the river and those tributary to it, and which will be benefited by river improvement work and secure data regarding commercial and industrial prospects of development of the valley.

Depth of Channel Not Advised. The conference did not make any choice between the plan of Representative Hawley for a lock and dam system for a six-foot channel from Portland to Eugene and the project heretofore recommended by Major McIndoe of the United States Engineer Corps, for improvements which will insure a 3.5-foot channel. But it was decided to make the depth of the channel in the way of statistics to Major McIndoe, in connection with the preliminary survey he is to make, to determine the approximate cost of the project, by virtue of the bill introduced by Representative Hawley and passed by Congress.

County Aid Urged. One thing which was emphasized by both Representative Hawley and Major McIndoe at the conference was that the Government will expect the co-operation of the counties along the river in bearing a part of the expense of the construction of the lock and dam system. It will be necessary, they were pointed out, to organize post-offices and raise money for the work by local taxation, and that, according to a general plan, the Government will appropriate \$1 for every dollar that is raised for the work locally.

This plan is the same as that which is being used in the Government work on Coos Bay, Tillamook Bay, and the mouth of the Siuslaw and Nehalem Rivers. Representative Hawley explained that in introducing his bill for a preliminary survey of the lock and dam system he asked for a determination of the feasibility of a Government appropriation on the part of the county of Congress to which it was referred insisted on adding the local co-operation clause before it would recommend its passage.

Two Projects Discussed. One of the projects discussed in the six-foot-channel plan, one for the improvement of the river from Oregon City to Corvallis and the other for the improvement of the stream from Corvallis to Eugene. The Government engineers will report on the advisability of both projects after a preliminary survey.

No local jealousy of any kind cropped out at the conference last night and all of the cities in the valley joined together to enlist the services of a step-ladder. The tip of one of the ears is 6 feet 6 inches up in the air and the other is 7 feet 3 inches from the bottom to the top. This was grown by N. C. Hall.

Among the apples is one Wolf River apple that measures 1 1/2 inches in circumference. Jacob Hall gets the credit for growing this big apple and a potato of the Carman No. 3 variety that weighs 4 1/2 pounds.

GIANT CORN IS DISPLAYED

Stalk 10 Feet 2 1/2 Inches High Is Shown at Ridgefield, Wash.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—When it comes to raising fruits and vegetables, Ridgefield takes the lead in Clarke County. The Reflector of this city has a window full of these products this week and they make everyone "sit up and take notice."

One stalk of corn measures 10 feet 2 1/2 inches in height. Two large ears of corn decorate the stalk, but in order to gather them, it would be necessary to use a step-ladder. The tip of one of the ears is 6 feet 6 inches up in the air and the other is 7 feet 3 inches from the bottom to the top. This was grown by N. C. Hall.

PRISON BUDGET IS STUDIED

Governor Requests State Board to Consult Proposed Expense.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—For the first time in the history of the state the entire state board is going over the budget of the penitentiary and consulting as to the details of expenditure of the state board, and with that in view the Governor is consulting with other members of the board as to the budget.

PRIME HOPS PURCHASED

96 Bales of Three Crops Change Hands at 17 Cents.

WOODBURN, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Whitman & Shortell purchased 96 bales of prime hops here Thursday at 17 cents per pound. The lot consisted of three crops, as follows: L. W. Durant crop of 34 bales, A. C. Nelson crop of 33 bales and M. Wiedenack crop of 29 bales.

2000 PUPILS MARCH

School Children's Parade at Dallas Fair Is Feature.

POLITICIANS HOLD SWAY

Prohibition and Bull Moose Candidates Address Crowds—City Is Taxed by Throng of Visitors. Still Flooding In.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—Lined up side by side as the attractions at the second day of the Polk County Fair were the school children of the county and Prohibition and Bull Moose candidates of the county and state. The day had been set aside for these two interests and success marked every departure in the programme.

The morning programme consisted of a lecture on horticulture at the Armory and a balloon ascension and the general attractions at the fair exhibit. Every train is bringing out-of-town visitors to the city and every section of the surrounding territory is represented. Farmers and their families are flocking in and the hotels and restaurants are taxed to capacity. It is estimated there are 5000 in the city. The weather is ideal.

TILLAMOOK MAY GET ROAD

County Court Considers Making Appropriation of \$8000.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—The Tillamook Commercial Club has shown a good deal of activity this week in working for a wagon road from Tillamook City to Bayocan. A committee was appointed to lay the matter before the County Court, and it was discussed yesterday. It was shown that the property now

PAISLEY ORGANIZES CLUB

R. A. Harrower Chosen President of Commercial Body.

PAISLEY, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—The business men and citizens met Wednesday night and perfected the organization of a Commercial Club. About 40 turned out to the meeting and all the proceedings were accompanied with marked enthusiasm. The following officers were chosen for the year: R. A. Harrower, president; D. S. S. Thayer, vice-president; R. N. Buchwalter, secretary; C. E. Robison, treasurer.

TAFT CAMPAIGN TO START

Tillamook Republicans Will Form Club Next Week.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Oct. 4.—(Special.)—The Bull Mooseers have formed a club, but only 12 put in an appearance. Attorney F. L. Henderson was elected president; Attorneys H. T. Bots and T. H. Goyme, vice-presidents; W. C. King, treasurer, and L. V. Eberhardt, secretary. Congressional Committeeman C. Baker has called a meeting of Republicans for next week for the purpose of forming a Taft club and to make arrangements to carry on an aggressive campaign in Tillamook County.

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Economy—False and Real

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