

NATIONAL DELEGATES

Irrigation Men Will Recommend No Specific Project.

SAME OFFICERS PROBABLE

Needs and Resources of Various Districts Described and Delegates Are Guests of Commercial Club at Banquet.

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Revolving Fund Wanted. Instead of asking the State Legislature for another direct appropriation, as was done two years ago for the Tumalo district, it is anticipated that the convention will ask merely that the \$450,000 recently spent at Tumalo be converted into a revolving fund, so that it can be used for further irrigation development as fast as it is returned to the state by the Tumalo farmers.

The plan to levy a 1-mill tax upon all the property in the state, as outlined earlier in the week, was presented formally to the congress yesterday by J. T. Hoskin, of Umatilla County. Mr. Hoskin pointed out that this would net approximately \$1,000,000 annually, and that, in accordance with the present policy of the Federal Interior Department, the Federal Government would match this money dollar for dollar, providing \$2,000,000 for irrigation purposes every year.

Attendance Is Large. He advised, however, that the congress refrain from specifying any particular district for the receipt of these funds.

The present meeting has the largest attendance in the history of the congress. More than 200 delegates are registered and many others are in attendance. The Elizabethan room at the Imperial Hotel was crowded at each of yesterday's sessions.

Already much interest is developing over the election of officers, which is the last order of business on the program. It is certain that Thompson of Echo, who will be re-elected president. Although Mr. Thompson came here with the avowed intention of not accepting the office again, the fact that he is a member of the National Irrigation Commission, which meets in Washington, D. C., within a few weeks, was impressed upon him as a reason for his becoming a candidate. It was pointed out that he can be of the greatest use to the state if he goes to the national convention as president of the congress, and he finally consented to accept the office again if it should be tendered to him.

Mayor Welcomes Delegates. J. W. Brewer, of Redmond, who seemed to be in the lead for the presidency until late yesterday, was among those who induced Mr. Thompson to stand for re-election. Mr. Brewer doubtless will be re-elected first vice-president and Fred M. Wallace, of Lakeview, can be re-elected secretary if he wants the office.

The meeting got under way yesterday morning under direction of Mayor Thompson, who introduced Mayor Alben. The mayor delivered a brief address of welcome on behalf of the city. C. C. Chapman spoke in kind for the Portland Commercial Club. A. O. Walker, of Alfalfa, responded for the irrigators. He called attention to the fact that Western Oregon now pays nearly two-thirds of the taxes of the state and that Eastern Oregon, which is the greater in area, should be developed so that it will be able to share the burden of taxation. He concluded that this development can be brought about only through irrigation, as most of the eastern part of the state cannot be made productive without water.

"Prior Rights" to Be Advocated. Mr. Walker gave notice later in the day that he proposes to introduce a "prior rights" resolution before the congress on Saturday. This will give the first right to water in irrigation to the water already in use. He said that this plan will cause the settlement of land in irrigation districts and the cancellation of irrigation contracts.

President Thompson dispensed with a formal address, but urged the delegates to center their efforts on good of the state in irrigation, and bring their own pet projects.

The following committees were appointed: Credentials—Fred N. Wallace, Laidlaw; C. L. Hurd, of Stanfield; O. A. Peavie, Madras; W. W. Caviness, Vale; J. B. Bell, Prineville.

Resolutions—J. W. Brewer, Redmond, chairman; Clark Letter, Portland, secretary; John Rigby, Vale; A. W. Trow, Ontario; Frank Sloan, Stanfield; C. E. McLaughlin, Henkel; W. G. Ward, Madras; E. B. Williams, Powell Butte; L. A. Hunt, Lower Bridge; O. Laurgaard, Laidlaw; William Hanley, Burns; Abel Latham, Falmouth; C. C. Chapman, Portland.

The following were appointed assistant secretaries: H. W. Turner, Madras; A. E. Greiner, Echo; R. H. Atkinson, Portland.

Tumalo Project Explained. An interesting feature of the afternoon session was the report of O. Laurgaard, engineer on the Tumalo project. He said that the success of that work has been due largely to the fact that it has been kept out of politics. He gave the pleasing information that every water right on the project has been adjudicated and that the land has been permanently settled.

"The people of Oregon watched the progress at Tumalo," he said. "Had it been a failure it would have been a black eye for state aid in irrigation. He presented these facts, he said, to show what Malheur County is capable of doing. Only about \$5,000 acres in that county are under irrigation. Nearly 100,000 additional acres can be irrigated. He added that the Malheur delegation is not here to urge any particular project before the congress.

Malheur Declared Profitable. A. W. Trow spoke for Malheur County. He pointed out the success that farmers have had under various irrigation ditches in that county. The land, he explained, produces from five to nine tons of alfalfa an acre, 200 to 400 bushels of potatoes, two carloads of apples, one and a half cars of prunes or more than 70 bushels of corn. He presented these facts, he said, to show what Malheur County is capable of doing. Only about \$5,000 acres in that county are under irrigation. Nearly 100,000 additional acres can be irrigated. He added that the Malheur delegation is not here to urge any particular project before the congress.

SOME OF THE DELEGATES WHO ARE ATTENDING IRRIGATION CONGRESS AT IMPERIAL HOTEL.



(1) William Beagall, County Judge of Jefferson County; (2) H. W. Turner, Madras; (3) J. M. Griffin, Laidlaw; (4) E. W. Gillett, Laidlaw; (5) E. E. Kendall, Jamison; (6) I. W. Hope, Vale; (7) George E. Miller, Baker; (8) J. K. Fisher, Haines; (9) Laurence A. Hunt, Lower Bridge; (10) C. B. McConnell, Burns.

plea for Malheur County and urged the congress to recommend certain legislation before the National Congress. He referred to the fact that Oregon has put more than \$10,000,000 through the sale of public lands into the Federal Reclamation program and that she has received only \$1,000,000 or so in return. He contrasted this with conditions in Idaho, where the expenditures by the Federal Government have been far in excess of the amount paid into the fund.

He recommended that the congress urge the Federal Government to create a revolving irrigation fund for use of the Western states in proportion to the amount paid into the reclamation fund. He also asked that action be taken which will cause the railroads to give Portland freight rates consistent with its position on a water grade. His plan involves the same theory as that urged in the famous Astoria rate case. He predicted that if this recognition is not given Seattle will wrest commercial supremacy from Portland.

"Seattle has God Almighty working for her," he asserted, in pointing out that vessels entering Seattle harbor do not have to cross river bar or ascend stream, "but Portland has God Almighty and Seattle working against her."

"Portland has thrown away God Almighty's gift of a water grade when she has not demanded a fair railroad rate."

Mr. Wood also declared that the separate communities should lay aside their individual aspirations and work for the greater interests of the state at large.

Baker Speaker Is Humorous. J. K. Fisher, speaking for Baker County, mixed philosophy and humor with his logic in a manner that made a decided impression upon his audience. He said that Baker County has 130,000 acres under irrigation and that not one cent ever was received from either the state or the Federal Government. The Union County speaker being absent, Mr. Fisher spoke for that district. His humorous stories were a real entertainment.

J. T. Hoskin, in speaking for Umatilla County, presented the plan for a 1-mill tax levy for irrigation purposes and urged in support of that plan that the state should be repaid—first by the farmers, who also would be required to pay a reasonable rate of interest, and second by the increase in the taxable value of the state.

S. E. Watson, County School Superintendent of Morrow County, presented the possibilities of that district and predicted that electric power will be an important factor in solving the future irrigation problems of the state.

A. A. Finley spoke for Clatsop County, which has more than 450,000 acres in that county are susceptible to irrigation.

Clark Letter Is Spoken. I. D. Driver spoke for Wasco County and reported that much land in that county can and should be irrigated.

O. C. Young, editor of the Culver Tribune, spoke for Jefferson County, which has a large area of land in that county that is susceptible to irrigation.

Clark Letter was introduced as "the voice of the Irrigation Congress," and explained briefly the part he had in starting it. It was while he was attending a meeting of the Oregon Delegation at the Imperial Hotel, he said, that he conceived the idea of bringing the needs of the irrigators of Eastern Oregon before the people of the state. The congress, he said, is the result. "I admit that I am somewhat proud of this body," he said.

George Russell, of Prineville, spoke for that district. He said that the building of roads and the incessant building of roads and the maintenance of them after they are built, was also urged by Mr. Marshall. He said that the greatest needs of the farmer are complete markets. To reach the markets good roads were necessary, and plenty of them.

Mr. Marshall was optimistic. He predicted a great rise in the value of lands and real estate, a boom in all kinds of trade. He told with detail how agriculture in the province is progressing and of the ways and means employed by the Alberta farmer to reach success.

brides who have been brought to the campus are the wives of Dr. E. M. Dallenbach and Professor Don C. Sowers, who came to Eugene last September.

ELKS LEAVE TOMORROW Special Train Will Carry Party to The Dalles Initiations.

Portland Elks are ready for their invasion of The Dalles tomorrow night. Their special train is due to leave the

Union Depot promptly at 4 o'clock and indications are that at least 150 members will be on board.

A score of novitiates are in waiting at The Dalles and they doubtless will be dealt with in proper form, as the Portland Elks are scheduled to officiate at the initiation ceremony.

Elks from Vancouver, Salem, Oregon City, Heppner, Pendleton and other nearby points will join the party.

a legislative conference under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association at the Central Library last night.

Professor A. C. Newell explained the provisions of a measure for school law revision. Mrs. Alva Lee Stephens outlined provisions of a bill providing employment to the unemployed; Judge W. N. Gatens urged the importance of the adoption of a law legalizing the status of illegitimate children; Mrs. T. J. Fortner told of the qualifications of women as jurors; Miss Franklin, a teacher in the Portland public schools, defended the present law providing for the tenure of positions in schools.

The various subjects brought out discussion, in which many of the audience participated. Dr. A. E. Winslow, of Boston, gave a stirring address on educational progress and pointed out the need of co-operation on the part of

parents in school work. R. L. Sablin presided.

The authorities in London are able to speak by telephone direct to General French. Messages are being received almost from the battlefield, and without delay, and with as much ease as from Glasgow to London.

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DR. R. M. WINGER TO WED Engagement of Assistant Professor at Oregon Is Announced.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 7.—(Special.)—The engagement of Dr. R. M. Winger, assistant professor of mathematics at the university, to Miss Allie B. McDonald, of Charleston, Ill., was announced in Eugene during the Christmas holidays.

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