

PORT TALKS OF DAMS

Columbia Slough Closing Argued by Both Sides.

MR. DIECK FILES REPORT

City Engineer Says It Is Proposed to Dredge Out Waterway Regardless of Port's Action for Benefit of North Portland District.

Before recommending to Colonel Zinn, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A. for against the application of Multnomah Drainage District No. 1 for authority to build dams in Columbia Slough, which is proposed to be done to reclaim 8100 acres of land lying east of the Union avenue crossing, the Port of Portland Commission has suggested that an application first be filed with that body by representatives of the district, as the area is within the jurisdiction of the Port.

That was a feature of an adjourned meeting of the commission yesterday, attended by persons opposed as well as in favor of damming the slough. A special committee, made up of Commissioners Strain, Hays and Peltola, reported and proposed that the application be filed. R. G. Dieck, former City Commissioner, who was retained as engineer for the Port in the matter, gave it as his opinion that the Port was justified in refusing to urge a denial of the matter asked for from the War Department.

Mr. Dieck Compiles Report.

Following a public hearing held last month before Colonel Zinn, which was in accordance with instructions from the War Department, Mr. Dieck has compiled a report on the hearing and general phases of the Columbia Slough situation. He was present yesterday and explained the report. George Shepherd appeared as representative of the objectors, City Engineer Laurgaard being also there. Mr. Dieck said in his report that it was not the fact that Mr. Shepherd is the leading agitator for a ship channel in Columbia Slough, but that attention would not have been given to the protest. He said also that the cost of dredging a channel as desired by the protesters, who oppose the dams in the interest of navigation and say they favor the reclamation project if material for dykes on both sides of the slough is taken out of the waterway, would be at least \$200,000 in the area east of Union avenue alone.

Slough's Importance Small.

He said the slough was of relatively small importance as a navigable stream at present, except as to industries below Vancouver avenue, and that until there is a mighty development of Portland as a shipping center, the waterfront area of the Willamette River, reinforced by the frontage on the Columbia River from the Willamette River to Vancouver, will suffice for at least 50 years.

Mr. Shepherd had the floor for a time, urging the slough be not closed by dams and citing many reasons, and R. G. Brand, secretary of the East St. Johns Improvement Association, brought up several points in support of the stand of the protesters. City Engineer Laurgaard said the city intended to dredge the slough in the near future, regardless of any action by the Port, in the interest of sewerage drainage, saying that between \$5,000 and 40,000 city lots were included in the area to be benefited, and that in dredging it was proposed to provide an adequate depth of water for navigation purposes as well as cut through the upper end so as to join the slough with the Columbia River, to insure a current at all times. He said if dams were allowed to be placed there, it was feared they would not be removed easily.

The Port committee offered in its report a plan, if a normal application was filed, to negotiate with the drainage district principals with a view of entering into an agreement that only the two dams sought would be built and that whenever the Port desires to reopen the slough it shall be done at the expense of the drainage district, without the latter raising a question as to whether the slough is navigable, and that in the event dredging is carried on the Port is to have the right to dump material on any of the adjacent land. However, though Supervisor Elrod, of the drainage district, offered to meet all stipulations, there were others to be heard and an adjournment was taken until Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

CAPT. PILLSBURY SEES YARDS

Manager of California District on Way to Meeting.

On his way from San Francisco to attend a wage conference at Seattle between Government employes and shipbuilders, Captain A. F. Pillsbury, manager of the California district of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, spent yesterday here and inspected plants in company with J. W. Hall, Assistant Supervisor of the Oregon district. Having recently been named to direct the construction of steel as well as wooden vessels in the Bear State, Captain Pillsbury has the title of manager of the district. Officers having jurisdiction over either wood or steel vessels are known as supervisors.

California builders and delegates from craft employes in the shipyards there have gone to Puget Sound, one session having been held there yesterday, and it is planned to end the conference tomorrow. Wooden and steel yards in the Oregon district are represented at the gathering, which is to discuss the industry wage schedule with Charles M. Schwab and Charles Plez, of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, who are to define its provisions.

LIFEBOAT ORDER IS STARTED

Motorship Construction Company Obtains Material for Early Work.

Arrival of material from the East for the first of 750 lifeboats the Motorship Construction Company will build at its

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Vancouver plant for the Government has enabled a start to be made on the big order and in a few days it is promised the first craft will be moved out of the shop, finished. When the force there attains its high pace about five boats a day is to be the output.

The company had about five men on the payroll a year ago and today 100 or more are listed. Merritt A. Reed, president, and William Umbdenstock, vice-president of the organization, say the 750 boats sounds like a large order, and it is, according to all records, but it will not be many months before the United States Shipping Board gathered at the White Star fleet of lifeboats have been turned out during the past year, the plant has delivered a few cannery tenders also.

NEW FLEET IS BEING RUSHED

Of 14 Vessels Floated at Grant Smith, Sixth Is About Ready.

Continuing the speed that has characterized operations of the Grant Smith-Porter Ship Company's yard since the first hull was launched February 17, haste is being exhibited in the completion of the vessels in the water and though the Wasco, first of the fleet, was delivered in June, also the Blizol and Kasota, the sixth ship, the Calusa, is to have her official inspection started tomorrow and in another week the Morita, seventh of the line, will probably be ready. The Blanton, fourth of those floated, is now in the service of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company and all others are in the Pacific trade, in which the steamers yet to be finished will be assigned. There have been 14 carriers to leave the ways since February 17, an average of almost three launchings a month.

ABERDEEN WELCOMES SCHWAB

Two Thousand People Gather to Greet Director-General.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Two thousand people and two bands gathered at the Hotel Aberdeen tonight to welcome Charles M. Schwab, director-general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, upon his arrival in the city. Schwab passed through the crowd, hat in hand, smiling and shaking hands with everyone in truly American fashion. He made a great hit with the workmen, who cheered him continuously. Schwab went direct from the station to the Grant Smith-Porter shipyard, where he addressed the workers. At 8:30 o'clock this evening he was the guest of the Chamber of Commerce at a banquet at which 150 plates were laid. More than 200 who could not get plates at the dinner filled the lobby of the hotel to hear his talk.

Marine Notes.

Inspection of the St. Johns ferry today under the direction of United States Steamship Inspector Edwards and White will only cause a cessation of operations this afternoon. The ferry is to resume its usual morning trips. It is hoped when she ties up at 1 o'clock that the boiler can be cooled so she can be inspected and replaced in commission by 5 o'clock to accommodate the shipyard workers in that district.

Keels are already going down in the wooden yards of the G. M. Standifer Shipbuilding Corporation, where six hulls were floated Saturday. Two keels were in place Monday and others have been laid since. Until the new steamer Western Spirit received her stores all new vessels built at the yard were supplied at the North Bank dock and the transfer of materials has now shifted its base to municipal dock No. 1, where the Western Spirit was berthed. The keel of the new steamer, the gasolene schooner E. L. Smith, who died at Astoria a few days ago, after having been brought back from sea because of illness. He has been in the Coast fleet for nearly 10 years. Only a few months ago he was in the employ of Miss Mabel Wheeler, of Cottage Grove. To ascertain channel conditions following the summer freshet and determine where dredging shall be carried on, the Government engineers have begun a survey of the Lower Columbia River, from the mouth of the Willamette to Astoria.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—The United States sea service bureau of the Shipping Board today put the steamship Troquais in service as a training ship and at noon 200 young men from Washington and Oregon, the first contingent of recruits, participated in their first meal on shipboard at a banquet served in the dining saloon. The merchant marine training station is now ready for the reception of the large contingent of recruits being listed throughout the Northwest and Alaska. Captain J. E. Cameron is commander at the station, and the steamer Troquais is commanded by Captain O. E. Beaton. The Chilpeewa, in command of Captain F. A. Parker, is to go into commission tomorrow night and additional recruits are expected to arrive by that time. In addition the training station has accommodations for 400 additional men and is thoroughly equipped with marine apparatus. The auxiliary schooner Admiral Sims was turned over to the Pacific Steamship Company today and a master and crew for the vessel will be named in the next few days. The first of the auxiliary schooners built at Olympia for the Australian government was turned over today and left for Powell River, B. C., to load for Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 18.—(Special.)—John W. Rosetter, Director of Preparations of the United States Shipping Board, is back in San Francisco today after his trip to Portland, Seattle and Vancouver. Mr. Rosetter will complete his survey of Coast port conditions with visits to Los Angeles and San Diego and, after finishing up his business affairs in San Francisco, will proceed to Washington about August 1 to assume his new duties. Permanent organization of foreign freight brokers and shipping and commission men of San Francisco will be effected at a meeting to be held in the Merchants Exchange building next Wednesday. At a meeting called yesterday it was decided to organize along the lines observed in such associations in New York, Chicago and New Orleans. F. F. Connors, chairman of the meeting, named five freight forwarders to formulate resolutions for presentation to the meeting. Robert L. Hague, superintendent of engineering marine department of the Standard Oil Company, has been commissioned by the U. S. Shipping Board as chief of steamship construction for the United States Emergency Fleet Corporation. He left for

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OREGON DOCTORS ELECT DELEGATES TO NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION CHOOSE OFFICERS.

Resolution Adopted Urging Congress to Enact Laws for Suppression of Social Evil. SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—In separate session, on Thursday, Oregon delegates to the Northwest Medical Association elected Dr. C. M. Barboe, of Portland, president of the Oregon State Association; president for next year, Dr. A. C. Stoves, Salem; first vice-president, Dr. C. J. Boyden, Pendleton; second vice-president, Dr. Louis Buck, Portland; third vice-president, Dr. A. J. Cathey, Condon; secretary, Dr. A. J. Browning, Portland; treasurer, Dr. Jessie McGavin, Portland; delegate to the American Medical Association, Dr. W. T. Williamson, Portland. The Oregon Association adopted a resolution urging all physicians who are able financially and physically to offer their services to the Army and Navy.

U. S. Naval Radio Reports.

All locations given are at 8 P. M. Seattle, 140 miles north of San Francisco. Tides at Astoria Friday. High, 11:02 A. M., 5.4 feet; 4:59 P. M., 6.7 feet; 10:19 P. M., 5.0 feet; 4:13 P. M., 3.7 feet.

FORMER SPOUSE IS SUED

Ernie C. Hadley Seeks \$7166 From Recently Divorced Husband. Ernie C. Hadley, divorced wife of C. E. Hadley, yesterday started suit against her former husband for recovery of \$7166, which she alleges is due under a contract entered into by them in 1912. The plaintiff says she relinquished all rights to property at 1100 Union avenue to her husband under a written agreement that he would pay her \$100 a month so long as she remained his wife or remained unmarried if she should divorce him. The plaintiff says she procured a divorce from him in the local courts June 13 last, and has not married. She asserts her husband has failed to keep his part of their contract agreement.

T. L. Henriksen Is Candidate.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—T. L. Henriksen, of this city, today filed his declaration of candidacy for the office of county treasurer on the Republican ticket. He is the tenth candidate to file for office since last Thursday, the opening day for filings. Mr. Henriksen was formerly associated in the merchandise firm of Higgins and Henriksen. He is now with A. C. Burdick & Company, prune packers. He has been a resident of Vancouver for many years.

BUTTE WOMAN AMBITIOUS

Mrs. H. C. Macdonald Announces Candidacy for Congress. HELENA, Mont., July 18.—Mrs. H. C. Macdonald, of Butte, today filed with

Secretary of State Stewart as a candidate for Congress on the Democratic ticket in the western district.

Her platform declares for winning the war so as to bring everlasting peace and the appointment of women to at least half of the Government offices of responsibility and trust.

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