

# REFUSES TO CHANGE

## Hitchcock Admits California Has Share In Klamath.

### BUT CHARGES ALL TO OREGON

#### Fulton's Plea for Umatilla Irrigation Falls on Deaf Ears—Secretary Denounces Malheur.

Washington, Nov. 25. — Secretary Hitchcock is now convinced of the in-state character of the Klamath irrigation project and acknowledges that California is to benefit by the work in contemplation fully as much as Oregon, but he is not willing to change his order charging the entire allotment to the state of Oregon.

When Senator Fulton again took up the matter of the Umatilla project with the secretary, he found Hitchcock holding the same views he voiced on the occasion of his previous visits, contending that Oregon's 51 per cent reserve fund has been appropriated and explaining that there are no funds available for construction of the Umatilla project.

Mr. Fulton maintains that, even if the secretary adheres to his determination to charge the entire cost of the Klamath work to Oregon, there is yet enough money in the reclamation fund to the credit of Oregon to build the Umatilla project. On June 30 last Oregon's restricted fund was practically \$2,500,000. Deducting \$2,000,000 allotted for Klamath, there was yet \$500,000 left, and it is Mr. Fulton's contention that since July 1, 1905, enough money has been received from disposal of public lands in Oregon to make the other \$500,000 necessary for the Umatilla project. The secretary is unable to state how much money Oregon has contributed to the fund since July, but will advise the senator when he ascertains the facts.

Notwithstanding that he denounces the Malheur project a "steal," and alludes to the operation of the wagon road people as a "graft," the secretary will not formally set aside this project, though admitting that he will not construct it. Nor will he permit the Malheur allotment to be used in part for the Umatilla project. He says Oregon has had her full share of reclamation money outside of the Malheur project, and is not entitled to the benefit of the money which is now credited to that project, but which is not being used.

### TRY TO DAM SALTON SEA.

#### Large Force Working to Save Railroad From Destruction.

Los Angeles, Nov. 25. — Two hundred men, divided into day and night shifts, 20 teams hauling brush and sand, two pile-drivers thumping away almost incessantly, two stern-wheel steamers carrying construction material and commissary stores from Yuma—these forces under Superintendent J. Tolin are engaged in the Herculean task of building a 600 foot dam across the west channel of the Colorado river four miles below Yuma, by which the California Development company hopes to bring Salton sea to a standstill and eventually restore the Salton Sink to a dry bed of evaporation of the flood waters that have wreaked such havoc there.

If the dam is a success, the Southern Pacific railway in time will be able to abandon its 16 miles of shoofly track east of Salton, and resume its main line. If the dam is a failure, 40 miles and perhaps more of shoofly may have to be built, the whole Imperial country may be deprived of its supply of canal water, and the Colorado river may be diverted through the River Padrones into Volcano lake, thence to find its way northward through the new river into the Salton Sea. What this would mean may be conjectured from the damage already done by the flooding of the great sink.

#### Congress Will Investigate Expense.

Washington, Nov. 25. — It was stated at the War department today that while congress would be asked to appropriate a total of \$16,000,000 to meet the needs of the Panama canal work to June 30 next, it is not expected that congress will appropriate it in a lump sum. The canal officials expect that congress will pass a bill making available a portion of this amount to meet the immediate wants because, congress would probably investigate to learn how the money thus far expended has been used.

#### Three Big Battleships.

Washington, Nov. 25. — Three first-class battleships of at least 18,000 tons displacement and 18 knots speed, three scout cruisers of 5,000 tons displacement, one gunboat of the Helena class and four other gunboats of light draft, two for use in the Philippines and two for service in the rivers of China, with additional torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers, are the principal recommendations of the general board of the navy in its program.

#### Hyde-Diamond Case Postponed.

Washington, Nov. 25. — The hearing by the Criminal court on the demurrer filed in the Hyde-Diamond case, in which fraudulent land transactions on the Pacific coast are charged, which was set for today, was postponed for two weeks.

### BE GENEROUS TO PHILIPPINES.

#### New York Board of Trade Wants Restrictions Removed.

New York, Nov. 24. — Resolutions favoring abolishing American duties on Philippine products and repeal of the new law to regulate shipping between this country and the Philippines were adopted today by the New York Board of Trade. The resolutions read in part:

"If the islands are our wards, they are not part of the United States and we should not make the mistake that what is good for the United States is good for the Philippines. Intense desire is evinced in the Philippines for the removal of our duties on their products and, insofar as such abolition would benefit them, we should generously grant them that advantage."

In urging upon congress the repeal of the shipping act, which will become operative on July 1, 1906, the resolutions declare that the act will reduce the facilities for commerce between the United States and the Philippines and materially enhance the cost of produce from the United States or of American manufactures imported into the Philippines. The resolutions continue:

"There are no American ships in the trade between the Philippines and the Atlantic ports, and there would not be enough American tonnage to carry 425,000 bales of flour annually imported at these ports. A great deal of it would have to come via the Pacific ports and over transcontinental railroads, and this unnatural route affords the only competition to check the exorbitant rates to Atlantic ports made."

### SMOOT WILL NOT RESIGN.

#### No Action on Senator's Case Likely Before January.

Washington, Nov. 24. — Senator Reed Smoot, who arrived here this evening, says most emphatically that there is no foundation for the story that he intends to resign from the senate, and he is at a loss to understand the source of the report. He is surprised to learn that the senate committee will reopen his case and give further hearings, but has no objection to that course. He furthermore declares his willingness to abide by any decision which the senate may make when it comes to a vote on his case.

It will probably be late in January before the committee on privileges and elections makes a report on the case. Hearings cannot be resumed before the first week in January. After their conclusion the committee will take some time to digest the great mass of testimony and it will be remarkable if it can report in January. Once the case goes to the senate it will receive prompt consideration, as it is a matter of the highest privilege and will be disposed of before legislative matters can receive consideration. It is expected the debate will occupy several weeks.

### ELKINS PROPOUNDS IDEAS.

#### Offers Suggestions for Federal Regulation of Railroads.

Washington, Nov. 24. — The senate committee on interstate commerce today continued the discussion of measures relative to amending the railway regulations. Many ideas were exchanged, but there were no developments of importance. Senator Elkins, chairman of the committee, occupied much of the session in making suggestions and discussing propositions which he thought ought to be incorporated in any bill that may be reported. These suggestions were numerous and would mean a lengthy measure aside from regulation provisions.

Mr. Elkins did not bring forward the pooling proposition, but intends to present it later in some modified form, so that there may be freer traffic between railroads. One particular point made by him looked to compelling trunk lines to afford better facilities to lateral lines and small roads which are compelled to use big roads to reach a market. The better management of the private car lines so as to meet the demands of shippers and amendment of the laws bearing on terminal companies and terminal charges also were suggested.

#### Says Castro is Only Bluffing.

Paris, Nov. 24. — Inquiry at the Foreign office today brought out the statement that the report that France accedes to President Castro's request to indicate what portions of the Venezuelan note to Mr. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires, are offensive, is incorrect. The officials say the president has heretofore been completely informed regarding the offensive features of the note and therefore the report that France will give further explanations is characterized as "a bluff intended to delay and confuse the situation."

#### Shanghai Oyster Men.

Philadelphia, Nov. 24. — Having received numerous complaints that men have been shanghaied for service on board oyster boats in Chesapeake bay, and that some of them have been ill-treated, resulting in two men losing their lives, Captain of Detectives James Donaghey, of this city, has applied to the authorities at Washington and to the attorney general of Pennsylvania for aid in investigating the report submitted to him by relatives of the victims.

#### Japan's New Big Gun Factory.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 24. — An immense gun factory, with 20 large buildings, covering 83 acres, is being established on the Sumida river, near Tokio, by the Japanese military authorities, where 4,000 men will be employed in making heavy ordnance.

# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

### NEW LUMBER CENTER.

#### Two Mills Building and Three Under Consideration at Dallas.

Dallas—Though situated in the midst of a splendid fruit-raising and hog-growing territory, Dallas promises to become a great lumber center as well. In addition to the Cone mill, now being built, and the Nap mill, which will be remodeled, three more propositions are now before the business interests of the city for consideration.

Plans for the remodeling of the Nap mill are completed. The mill will be rebuilt several hundred feet west of the present location, and enlarged to a 50,000-foot plant. A pond will be excavated between the "Y" tracks of the Falls City railroad and will be fed with water from the same source as the Cone mill.

The Cone pond is completed, and the superstructure of the mill under cover. The sawing frames and carriage trucks are being put in place and everything indicates the early completion of the plant.

Every house in Dallas is occupied, and new cottages are springing up in every quarter. The common comment of all newcomers is that Dallas is a beautiful town and has the finest courthouse lawn in the state. Although the Lewis and Clark fair is said to have drained the valley of all the stray change, the merchants say trade is good.

### Big Land Deal.

Weston — Two of the largest real estate transactions consummated in this section for some time were recorded this week. One was the sale of 240 acres of land, with fine improvements by Mrs. Annie O'Hara to Charles M. Price for \$18,500. This is one of the finest farms in this section of the country, having upon it a handsome brick residence. Mr. Price also owns a third interest in what is known as the Steen place, located on Dry creek, consisting of 560 acres. This, it is said, he is about to dispose of to his brothers.

### Old Picture of General Lane.

Salem — State Librarian J. B. Putnam has received from New Orleans an old photograph of General Joseph Lane, Oregon's first territorial governor and one of this state's first senators. The picture bears no date, but was taken in Washington, D. C., presumably while Lane was delegate in congress or senator. No communication or explanation came with the photo further than the words, "Compliments of William Beer, Howard Memorial library, New Orleans, La."

### Extensive Plant at Carlton.

Carlton—The Carlton Lumber company's new mill and extensive plant, representing an outlay of over a million dollars, will be in full operation by April, 1906. With the natural advantages Carlton already enjoys through its position among the foothills of the Coast mountains and the other improvements now being made, Carlton expects soon to be numbered among the leading scenic and industrial towns of the Willamette valley.

### Southern Pacific After Gravel.

Eugene—Southern Pacific surveyors have laid out a route for a spur in the northeastern part of the city to the gravel beds across the river, just outside the city limits. It is said that the company intends getting its ballast material for its proposed new line from Natron across the mountains from the extensive beds here. A trestle will have to be constructed across the river, which is narrow at that point.

### River at Very Low Stage.

Eugene—The river at this point is almost as low as it was during August and lower than was ever before known in November. Loggers find great scarcity of water above here for driving logs, and would welcome a few days of rain. There is plenty of snow high up on the mountains, which fell a month ago, but the weather has continued cold and the snow does not melt.

### Buy Indian Creek Mill.

Elgin — J. G. Brown, of the firm of Shockley & Brown, sawmill men, has disposed of his interest in that firm to his partner, and has purchased the Cummins mill, located on Indian creek, together with 320 acres of timber land. H. G. and H. E. Reed, experienced sawmill men, are interested in the deal. A new engine, edger and gang lath mill will be added.

### Want Pay for Dead Cattle.

Elgin—F. E. Graham, of this town, has presented a claim against Union county, amounting to \$290, for the loss of cattle killed by the collapse of the Wallowa bridge. Hector McDonald, who was also driving a herd of cattle across the bridge at the time and suffered a similar loss, has also put in a claim against Wallowa county for damages.

### No Right to Sell the Land.

Salem—Attorney General Crawford has held that the State Land Board has no authority to sell land bequeathed to the state for the Soldiers' home. He holds that the board can sell land only when it has authority of law to do so and its general authority extends only to the sale of state land granted by the government.

### ADVANCE IN PRICE OF LOGS.

#### Logging Camps Soon to Shut Down, and Shortage is Expected.

Astoria—While several of the loggers in the Lower Columbia river district are under contract to deliver logs at \$7.50 per thousand until the first of the year, the others have advanced the price for fir logs to \$8 and a few sales are said to have been made at figures a shade higher. In spite of this advance in price, the demand is excellent and the logs are being taken as fast as they are put in tide water. A number of the larger logging companies will close down their camps for at least a month or six weeks as soon as the heavy rains set in and as, with the single exception of the Eastern & Western Lumber company, none of the mills have a large supply of logs on hand, a shortage is looked for before the end of the winter season.

Notwithstanding the advance in the price of fir logs, spruce is still selling at about \$7.

### Buy 2,000 Lambs.

Prineville—Stockmen here are still commenting on the sale recently of 2,000 lambs by Williamson & Giesner to the Baldwin Sheep & Land company, at \$2.50 per head. Such a large sale at this time of the year is considered as remarkable, particularly when the price is such a good one. In the spring there would be nothing extraordinary about the transfer. That such a large band should be transferred just as the feeding season is coming on, and at a good figure, is taken to mean that there are indications somewhere of a good price for both mutton and wool next spring.

### West Coast Lumber in Demand.

Portland—Within the last few weeks a new market has been opened up for Oregon and Washington lumber, and already shippers are preparing to transport by water more than 9,000,000 feet to New York. Part of this lumber will go from Portland on sailing vessels and part of it will be taken from the mills of Puget sound. Outside of the extreme heavy timber heretofore there has been practically no demand for Oregon and Washington lumber in the New York markets, and the suddenness and magnitude of the orders of recent date have come as a surprise.

### Can Corn at McMinnville.

McMinnville — If present interest in the matter does not wane, next year will see McMinnville with a large corn-canning factory. Several years ago samples of corn were sent to this county to test soil, climate and other conditions. The results sent back to the promoters show the quality first class in every particular. The Eastern people contemplating building a factory here state the plant will be the same size as the one they now operate, paying out about \$10,000 each year for the product and about \$6,000 in wages.

### Irrigating Harney Land.

Burns — Ten thousand acres of the best sagebrush land in the state will be put on the market as soon as inspected by the proper state official, as a result of the operations of the Portland Land company. It will be sold in tracts of from 40 to 160 acres at \$10 per acre, a lower price than that for any irrigated land yet put on the market in Oregon. This company was first to get a contract from Oregon to irrigate land.

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 71c per bushel; blue-stem, 73@74c; valley, 74@75c; red, 67c.  
Oats—No. 1 white feed, 26c; gray, 26c per ton.  
Barley—Feed, 22.50@22.25 per ton; brewing, 22@22.50; rolled, 22.50@23.50.  
Rye—\$1.50@1.60 per cental.  
Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15 @16 per ton; valley timothy, \$11@12; clover, 48@9; grain hay, 48@9.  
Fruits—Apples, \$1@1.50 per box; huckleberries, 7c per pound; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; grapes, \$1.25@1.65 per box; Concord, 15c per basket; quinces, \$1 per box.  
Vegetables—Beans, wax, 12c per pound; cabbage, 1@1 1/4c per pound; cauliflower, \$1.75@2.25 per crate; celery, 75c per dozen; cucumbers, 50@60c per dozen; pumpkins, 3/4@1c per pound; tomatoes, \$1 per crate; sprouts, 7c per pound; squash, 3/4@1c per pound; turnips, 90c@1 per sack; carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, 85c@1 per sack.  
Onions—Oregon yellow Danvers, \$1.25 per sack.  
Potatoes—Fancy graded Burbanks, 65@70c per sack; ordinary, 55@60c; Merced sweets, sacks, \$1.90; crates, \$2.15.  
Butter—Fancy creamery, 25@27 1/2c per pound.  
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 35c per dozen.  
Poultry—Average old hens, 11c; young roosters, 9 @10c; springs, 11c; dressed chickens, 12 @14c; turkeys, live, 17@18c; geese, live, 8 1/2@9c; ducks, 14@15c per pound.  
Hops—Oregon, 1905, 8@10c; 1906, 7@8c.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 16@21c; valley, 24@26c per pound; mohair, choice, 30c.  
Beef—Dressed bulls, 1@2c per pound; cows, 3@4c; country steers, 4@4 1/2c.  
Veal—Dressed, 3@7 1/2c per pound.  
Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 7@7 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 4@5c; lambs, 7 1/2@8c.  
Pork—Dressed, 6@7 1/2c per pound.

### WOLVERTON NAMED.

#### President Appoints Him Federal Judge for Oregon.

Washington, Nov. 22. — Judge Charles E. Wolverton, of Albany, now sitting on the Oregon Supreme bench, was yesterday appointed United States District Judge for Oregon to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Bellinger and the subsequent declination of W. W. Cotton, to whom the office was tendered. Judge Wolverton's commission, after being signed by the president and attorney general, was forwarded to him yesterday, and it is presumed that he will, upon its receipt, promptly take the oath and enter upon his new duties at Portland. His appointment, coming at this time, will require reappointment when congress convenes, and his nomination will be sent to the senate the first week of the session, but this will not interfere with his duties. He will be confirmed.

Judge Wolverton owes this appointment very largely to President Roosevelt. While he was strongly indorsed by Circuit Judge Gilbert and by prominent members of the Oregon bar, and while he was on Senator Fulton's list, and was highly regarded by Attorney General Moody, his indorsement was no stronger than those of several other candidates.

The appointment of Wolverton was hastened by a request recently made by District Attorney Heney. Mr. Heney will return to Portland very soon, and is anxious to resume and conclude the land trials. He found that no other district judge was available for service at Portland at this time, it being impossible for Judge Hunt or Judge De Haven to leave his court in the immediate future. On this suggestion the attorney general took the matter up with the president, who then hastened the appointment.

### FOUNDERS ON ROCKS.

#### Unknown Steamer Goes Down Off Coast of Nova Scotia.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 22.—The violent storm which swept the coast of Nova Scotia the latter part of last week apparently has claimed another victim. A two-masted steamer is thought to have gone to the bottom on Thursday afternoon off Beaver harbor on the east coast of the province, 55 miles off Halifax. Her identity has not been established, and so far as can be ascertained, not one of her crew survived.

News of the disaster, which is one of the strongest in shipping records, was brought to Halifax tonight by the steamer Kilkeel, commanded by Captain Allan from Port Hastings, Cape Breton, with a cargo of coal. The Kilkeel, on Thursday morning, ran into a gale. Heading into Beaver harbor at 10 o'clock, Captain Allan observed behind him another steamer with two masts and heavily laden approaching. The gale was then blowing at a terrific rate and the sea was breaking heavily on the numerous shoals which stud that coast.

When the Kilkeel reached the haven the unknown steamer passed west of Horse island, near the harbor entrance, which hid her hull. Suddenly a great cloud of steam or smoke shot upward and, when it cleared away, the masts of the incoming steamer had vanished.

### PANAMA MAY HAVE REVOLT.

#### Liberals Threaten to Make Trouble if Elections Are Not Fair.

Washington, Nov. 22.—Information was received here tonight which indicates that serious political disturbances have broken out in Panama and a revolution is not impossible. These advices were chiefly unofficial, but they caused a feeling of uneasiness and apprehension in all circles here.

Senator Obaldia, the minister from Panama, received some information, but it was of such a vague and uncertain nature that he could not understand the real situation. He was entirely without official dispatches and did not believe anything serious had occurred.

When Secretary Taft was in Panama the Liberal party, which antagonizes the government, presented a memorial to him asking that it be guaranteed fair treatment in the approaching elections and saying that bloodshed would follow any infringement of the Liberal rights. Officials here say the Liberal leaders are men of high standing and education.

### Peasants Spread Terror.

Borisoglyebek, Russia, Nov. 22.—Many panic stricken persons are seeking refuge here from the peasants, who are taking possession of the estates, removing the grain, burning the buildings and ordering the proprietors to relinquish their rights and depart, under penalty of death. The excitement has assumed such dimensions that the vice governor has ordered the troops to desert from making arrests. In encounters with marching bands of peasants, the troops have killed 100 and wounded many more.

### Leader of Plot Known.

Havana, Nov. 22.—As a result of an investigation into the discovery by the secret police of a quantity of arms, ammunition and accoutrements in the suburb of Cerro, a warrant was issued today for the arrest of Dr. Julian Betancourt, a Liberal congressman from the province of Pinar del Rio. He has not yet been arrested. Reports from various rural districts say that many Liberals are talking defiantly against the government.

### Canada May Investigate Too.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 22.—An Ottawa special says Senator Domville will move at the next session for an insurance investigation in Canada.

# UMATILLA PROJECT

## Fulton Endeavors to Obtain Approval of Hitchcock.

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#### Did Not Know Half Klamath Was in California Bill Senator Told Him.

Washington, Nov. 23.—Senator Fulton had a conference with Secretary Hitchcock today on Oregon irrigation matters. He was advised, as previously stated in these dispatches, that secretary will not think of building Malheur project under existing conditions, but was surprised to find the secretary unwilling to make any allotment for the Umatilla project. After argument, the senator obtained a conditional promise from the secretary which, if fulfilled, will mean adoption and construction of the Umatilla project.

At the outset the secretary stated that he had already allotted \$2,000,000 to the Klamath project, which had charged up to Oregon. The amount is within \$465,000 of the restricted fund; in other words within that amount of \$1 per acre of Oregon's contribution to the reclamation fund. The secretary, under law, is obliged to expend this amount in Oregon, but he clearly stated to the senator that he is unwilling to give Oregon more than its 51 per cent. The senator told the secretary the Klamath is not entirely an Oregon project. He pointed out that about the land under that project lies in California, and further stated that the Klamath trade, after the project is built, will go largely to California. He further insists that it is unjust to the Klamath project entirely Oregon funds, and demands that \$2,000,000 allotment should be divided at least half of it charged to California. If this is done, the secretary will have \$1,500,000 for immediate expenditure in Oregon, and only \$500,000 is asked for the Umatilla project.

The secretary said he did not know that the Klamath project included California as well as Oregon land, had supposed it was entirely an Oregon project. He added that he could allot \$1,000,000 for the Umatilla project unless it could be shown that the whole Klamath tract is not in California. This, of course, is easy of demonstration, and Mr. Fulton will tomorrow obtain from the Reclamation service and letters showing the interstate character of the Klamath project. It is up by these papers, he will report back with Mr. Hitchcock, and it is felt that the Umatilla project may be authorized. No mention was made today of any engineering or other work in the Umatilla project, and it is assumed that nothing prevents its construction save "lack of funds," original excuse, which has subsequently been denied.

### JAPAN'S GREAT NEW NAVY

Will Build Many Huge Battleships, High Speed.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 23.—The Japanese admiralty has entered upon an elaborate scheme of naval expansion which is expected to be approved at the coming session of the diet. According to news by the Shantung today, the admiralty officials say Japan's best ships are beginning to be out of date, and ships with much heavier armament and higher speed will be built. The Jiji Shimpo says the battleships of the future navy of Japan will place 22,000 tons and have an armament of 14 12-inch guns and a speed of 20 knots, while the future cruisers will displace 15,000 tons and have an armament of 25 knots, but no official statement has been made in this regard. The five submarines recently built in America in sections, gave success that the squadron will be completed.

### Plan to Save the Buffalo.

New York, Nov. 23.—To prevent extinction of the buffalo, prominent naturalists and men interested in logical matters have planned to organize an association to be known as the American Bison society. The society will hold its first meeting in the next month. William T. Hornaday, rector of the New York Zoological park, who is one of the promoters of the society, recently talked with President Roosevelt regarding a plan to establish another government herd in the north and offered the government 15 bison.

### Tammany Man Accused of Fraud.

New York, Nov. 23.—James J. Guire, chairman of the election board in the Ninth election district, was re-elected yesterday on a charge of leaving the polling places in the district at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of election day and of going to the election district polling place and staying there under the name of Harry Jennings.

### Beyond Control of Troops.

Kurek, Russia, Nov. 23.—The Russian disorders in the district of Kurek have assumed such violence that troops are unable to cope with them. The whole northern half of the district is in the hands of peasant rioters who are pillaging the estates and burning the harvested crops.