

Chamberlain and Lane Warmly Welcomed

CHAMBERLAIN SAYS OUTLOOK IS GOOD

Declares He is in Better Position Now to Aid Coos Bay and Oregon in Congress

"My! How Marshfield and Coos Bay have done ahead," was the comment offered by Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain soon after his arrival at the Chandler last evening and while he was being welcomed by a score of friends in the lobby. "You people have certainly been doing things."

"Yes, we have and if you will give us a little help, we'll show you that we haven't started," interposed Hugh McLain, who with Judge Coke and others, were talking to him. "Give us what we deserve to have and we will show you what we can do," Mr. McLain added. "And besides that's what I promised these people before election."

"Well, I think we can and we will," laughingly retorted Mr. Chamberlain. "I want to say, without boasting, that I will be in a position to do more on the rivers and harbors bill next time than any new man could do, whether he be Democrat or Republican. I am now third member on the rivers and harbors committee and my advancement to that position has been a matter of good luck partly. First, there was the sudden changes as a result of Democracy swinging into control in Congress and then a number of vacancies caused by deaths which advanced me more rapidly than I would have been in the natural course of things."

"There will be a rivers and harbors bill at the coming session of congress and I think the needs of Coos Bay can be provided for. At the last session, it was impossible. We either had to accept the compromise that we did or the whole matter would have been killed by the filibuster. As it was, Oregon secured about one-tenth of the whole appropriation."

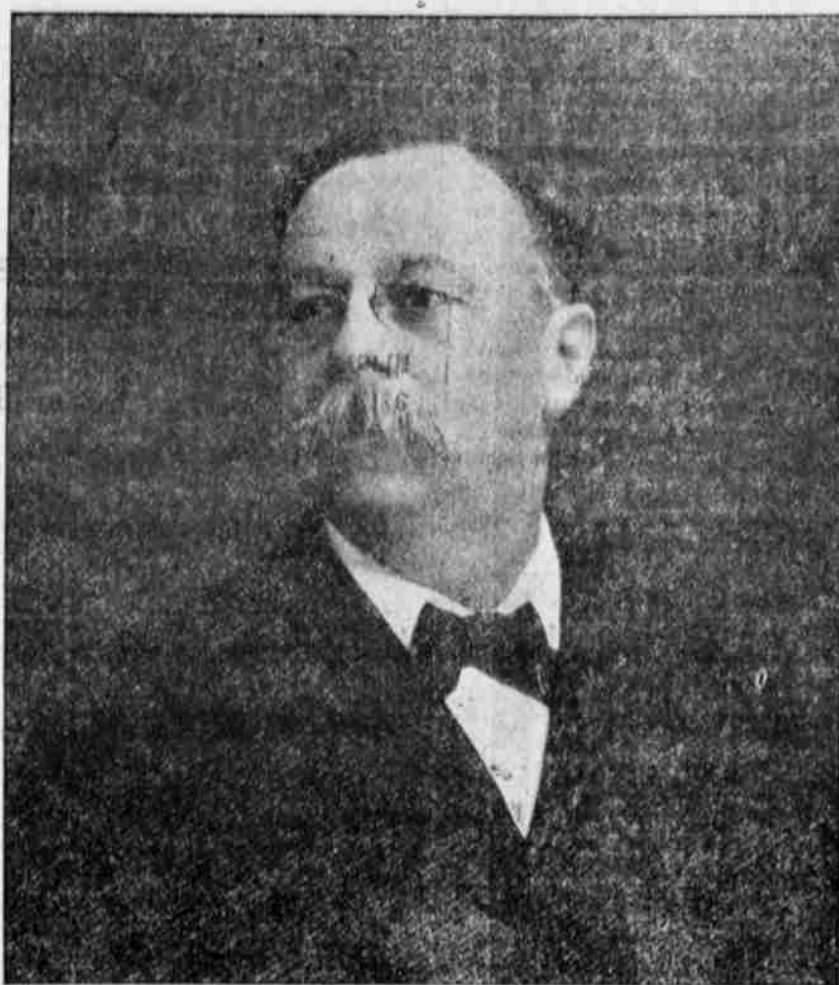
"We want to hear and learn your needs," he added when someone suggested that they were glad that the Senators were here to hear some of Coos Bay's troubles. "I had hoped to get down here before and see things for myself, but I simply could not. However, I made it a point to get here now and next summer we will be back again to make even a more thorough investigation."

Judge Coke suggested that probably by that time the railroad would be completed and that when it was, they could come more frequently and make a longer stay, and Mr. Chamberlain agreed. He said that he was surprised to find as much of the railroad completed. He said that yesterday they went up Smith River from Gardiner and saw quite a bit of the grading done, saw the approaches to the Umpqua bridge well under way. He said that it looked to him as though the road should be completed within six months.

FLORENCE REGISTRATION 165.

As the city charter calls for registration of the voters, Recorder D. E. Severy provided books for this purpose last week. When the books were closed 165 names had been put on record, of these 62 were women and 103 men.—Florence Pilot.

COOS BAY TIMES WAR MAPS, TEN CENTS BUY AN UP-TO-THE-MINUTE WAR MAP WHILE THE SUPPLY LASTS They Are Going Fast



HON. GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN

RECEPTION AND BANQUET TONIGHT

Public Welcome at Chandler Hotel for Senators Lane and Chamberlain Tonight

A public reception complimentary to Senators Lane and Chamberlain will be tendered at the Chandler Hotel from 6 to 7 o'clock this evening. The object is to enable Marshfield friends of the two distinguished visitors and other citizens to meet them. A special reception committee consisting of Judge J. S. Coke, Judge John P. Hall, Mayor F. E. Allen, Senator I. S. Smith, Supt. F. A. Tiedgen and C. A. Schibredde will have charge of the reception and all are invited.

THE PORT COMMISSION MEETS SENATORS

Lay Before Visitors Necessary Harbor and Bar Appropriations Now Needed

Before Senators Lane and Chamberlain this morning the Port Commission placed plans and specifications for the rebuilding and extension of the north jetty, for the dredging of the Bay and made their request that the legislators use their influence in having the government maintain a 25-foot channel to the sea, the work now being done by the Port Commission. To these projects the Senators declared they would do their utmost in seeing that they are secured.

With the taking over of Project No. 2 there would be needed an appropriation of not less than \$2,700,000, which contains \$500,000 for project No. 1. This would secure the rebuilding of the present north jetty and the building of a jetty on the south. L. J. Simpson pointed out to the Senators that not one cent had been expended on the jetty work since the first one was built about fifteen years ago and that since that time the project has fallen into ruin until its worth amounts to but little.

Under Project No. 2 there would be included \$1,869,500 for the raising of the present jetty, which in itself would take 300,000 tons of rock,

The reception will immediately precede the banquet which the Fellowship Club will tender at the Chandler at 7:30. While the banquet was arranged to accommodate 100, it is expected that the number present will probably exceed this number. A large number from North Bend will be present, twenty-five seats being reserved by Mayor Simpson of North Bend for the delegation from there.

Hugh McLain will preside as master of ceremonies at the banquet and in addition to talks by Senators Lane and Chamberlain, C. R. Peek, L. J. Simpson, J. W. Bennett and other prominent Coos Bay men will be asked to respond. Special music will be provided.

and 250,000 more tons of rock for a 1000-foot extension. For the south jetty an appropriation of \$331,000 would be needed.

That the expense of dredging a channel twenty-five feet deep down to the bar is too much for the Port of Coos Bay was explained to the Senators. The work that has been accomplished was shown them and figures submitted. To this was added the estimates for work yet to be done, and the Port declared their wish that the project, for which \$600,000 has been expended, be taken over and completed by the government. Stating their belief that the projects are necessary the Senators declared they would do all in their power to see that the appropriation is granted and to secure the recommendation of the government engineers.

It had been planned to take the Senators down the Bay and show them actual conditions on the bar at low tide, but this was impossible as there will be no tide low enough until 8 o'clock this evening. Later in the morning the Senators were shown the fills that have been made by the Port and the work now being done, and then were taken to the Smith mill, where they were shown through the buildings.

COMPLETE PLANS

New Catholic Church Specifications Are Finished

Drawings and the complete plans for the new Catholic Church to be erected next Spring have been completed by Architect E. B. Ostlund. The drawings are finished off in large blueprints, showing in detail the work to be done on the edifice, which will cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

The main dimension of the building will be 119 feet in length and about 60 feet in width and the seating capacity will be for approximately 600 people. In the towers are the choir lofts. The tall steeple will rise to a height of 124 to the top of the big cross.

For the exterior the concrete finish will be used. Large stained glass windows will be placed in the building. Some of them are of special size and interest, the main window in the front being 12 feet across and all of most expensive glass.

HAD CLOSE CALL ON THE SIUSLAW

Messrs. Chamberlain, Lane and Party Almost Swept Out to Sea in Gasoline Boat

"Sixty seconds more and we would have been out on the bar in that little gasoline launch and I want to tell you that I would have just about as soon have been to sea in a dishpan."

This was the way that Senator Harry Lane of Oregon wound up a story of a thrilling experience which he and Senator Chamberlain, C. F. McKnight, Engineer F. E. Loeffe and a party of Florence men had at the mouth of the Siuslaw the day before yesterday. They went down the river in a launch to inspect the jetties and a strong ebb tide carried them further and more rapidly than the captain of the launch had figured, with the result as stated above.

Aside from a bad scare and some of them getting drenched, none fared any the worse for the experience.

"We started down the river and were watching the jetties closely and none of us realized how close out to the bar we were," said Senator Lane, in relating the experience to a group of friends last evening. "One of the jetties extends out about five hundred feet further than the other and this also misled us. The first that I realized about getting out near the danger point was when we came out to the end of the jetty and then the old engineer did some lively maneuvering to get back into safe water."

Mast of Wreck Fell

"By some manipulating and turning just inside the breakers, we got headed around right, but then we had to go over into the whirlpool on the south spit. With the breakers right up close to that little launch, all of us had anything but a comfortable feeling."

"Just as the launch swung around, I looked up and saw the mast of the wrecked barge Frederick. A few hours before it had been pointed out to me as marking the wreck. While I was looking at it and wondering whether we were going to make it back safely inside, the mast fell over. It was an odd coincidence that the mast fell when it did and when we were so near the danger line. If that gasoline engine had balked—well, I hate to think what the result might have been."

C. F. McKnight, who was returning from a business trip to Portland and who accompanied Senators Lane and Chamberlain, was with the Florence party. He said that it has been a long time since he had such a fright. He said he estimated that the ebb tide was running at least eight miles an hour, sweeping them out towards the angry bar and breakers, being almost like a mill race. Later he said that Engineer Loeffe informed him that the tide was ebbing at the rate of at least nine miles. Engineer Loeffe shared with the rest of them in the fright.

MAY CHANGE MAIL SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

Will Take Re-routing of Coos Bay Mail Up Personally With Burleson

"I shall take the matter of re-routing all mail destined for Coos Bay via Mapleton up with Postmaster General Burleson directly on my return to Washington. I start for there next Monday and if the people here are anxious to have their mail brought in the other way, I believe that the contract can be so arranged."—Declaration of Senator George Chamberlain.

The changing of the Coos Bay mail from the Myrtle Point route to the one coming in by way of train to Mapleton and thence here via the beach stage may be made within the next sixty days, according to the statement made this morning by Senator Chamberlain when queried in regard to the question for several weeks agitated and strenuously booted.

"I always have objected to anyone breaking their contract with the government and so just as strongly must I object to the government's breaking its contract with anyone else," said the Senator, "but this, as I understand it, will affect only the Coos Bay mail. I believe that the contract could be changed within 60 or 90 days' time and that matter will be placed before the Postmaster General for his decision, and seeing

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that the people want this service I shall do my best to have it changed. "Making of mail contracts has long been a serious problem to the Postoffice Department," he said. "Here is an instance. There is one mail route in the mountains of this state with a postoffice at the end of it that brings in only \$83 revenue. The contractor this year wanted \$2500 for carrying this mail. In another place a contractor wanted to raise his contract from \$2500 in one year to \$15,000."

Because of this tendency there is now a bill before Congress which if passed will allow the government to take over mail routes, where the contract price seems exorbitant, and run them under a system of day labor, paying men daily wages for handling the mail, the Postoffice Department acting as "boss."

"It seems to me," said Senator Chamberlain, "that the present contract can be rearranged to allow the bringing in of Coos Bay mail by the other route, though I think this could not be done in less than 60 or 90 days' time."

Senator Chamberlain expects to

leave Portland next Monday for Washington, "though I shall take several days' vacation en route," he added. "In all the years since I was Governor in 1902 I have not had over ten days for vacation and now I feel that I must take a short rest."

The Senator seemed greatly pleased over the outcome of the last election, especially voicing his elation over the strong showing he made in Lane county, the stronghold of Booth. "I spoke there but a few days before the election," he continued, "and I could feel the sentiment of the people then. And then, too," he added, "most of my fight was without a good share of the newspaper support. I think Booth got more than I did," and the Senator laughed as though it was a good joke over which he worried very little.

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