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R. R. PRESIDENT TALKS

Address of President Sproule at Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner.

The Tidings is in receipt of a pamphlet containing the address of President Sproule of the Southern Pacific Railway at the annual dinner of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, held at the Palace Hotel, December 9, 1912. The address contained some remarkable statements, among them the following:

"In the state of California in the past fiscal year the Southern Pacific Company paid out 76 cents directly to the people of this state for every dollar gross that it earned for its own treasury for transportation services rendered within the state of California. Mind you, this 76 cents for every dollar gross was paid to those within the state of California. This 76 cents does not include and hence takes no account of materials and supplies bought and paid for outside of the state, such as rails, locomotives, cars and hundreds of other important railroad items necessary for a large railroad system and which cannot reasonably be bought in this state. This 76 cents does not, of course, include any payments for interest on bonds, for dividends or anything of that kind. To state it in dollars, in the past fiscal year the Southern Pacific Company paid out for wages in the state of California \$32,000,000, and for merchandise and miscellaneous expenditures, not including taxes, \$10,000,000."

Mr. Sproule also stated that the Southern Pacific paid 24 per cent of the taxes collected by the state of California from the "banks, insurance companies, franchises and public service corporations generally under the present system of state revenue."

President Sproule made these statements as a preface to a plea to the Chamber of Commerce for what he called fairer regulation of the railroads. He expressed the opinion that the railroad commissioners should be upheld by public opinion as fully when they made a decision in favor of the company as they were when they made one in favor of the shipper or complainant.

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Oregon State Irrigation Congress to Be Held in Portland January 4 to 11.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 20.—The second annual Oregon Irrigation Congress will be held in Portland January 9-11, and the program is now being arranged. It will be the most important gathering of irrigationists ever held in this state.

Every irrigation district in Oregon is expected to be represented and members of the government reclamation service, as well as the entire membership of the next legislature, will be invited. There will be a thorough consideration of the needs of the irrigated land farmer, both on the government and state projects, and everything possible will be done to aid in the development of the irrigated sections of the state. William Hanely of Burns is president of the congress and J. T. Hinkle of Hermiston is the secretary. The Oregon Development League is busy on preliminary plans for the congress.

Closer co-operation between the fruit grower, the railroads and all allied interests was urged at a meeting of the growers and dealers at a luncheon at the Portland Commercial Club. It was stated by a prominent eastern dealer that a study of market conditions and a better organization will prevent an oversupply of northwest apples and the hope of the industry was said to be a closer harmony in growing and marketing the fruit.

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