

IMMEDIATE EXTENSION OF WEST UMATILLA PROJECT ADVOCATED

Hundreds of Families Would Be Provided for; Exception to Government Restrictions.

Points in Dr. G. J. Smith's Statement.

There is no reason why work on the first unit of the west Umatilla extension should not begin at once.

Citizens of Oregon filling on 20-acre tracts in the extension should not be bound by the clause requiring residence within 50 miles of the project, provided they contract to improve the property within a certain period, say four years.

Experimental work will be advocated to determine the feasibility of conducting government-developed electric power from Cello to the west Umatilla project, to be served to settlers on the same cost basis as water.

Actual settlers who lack money but work hard and who must make the land pay for itself, should be given two years before being required to make a first payment.

Development and settlement of the first unit of the west Umatilla irrigation project should add 100 families to the population of the district, said Dr. Charles J. Smith, now of Portland, but formerly resident of Umatilla county, in a statement yesterday.

The reclamation of the additional 30,000 acres possible to the project would give opportunity for adding between four and five thousand more families, he predicted.

"Now that \$800,000 has been appropriated for the first 10,000 acre unit, there should be absolutely no delay, or excuse for delay, in getting the work started," declared Dr. Smith. "The importance of this project and the amount of time already consumed in getting it under way should give additional warrant for expedition."

Dr. Smith is chairman of a committee of 10 citizens appointed five years ago to promote the west Umatilla project. The authority given and appropriation made for reclamation of this first 10,000 acre unit are considered a victory due in large part to the work of this committee.

Lived Long In State.

Dr. Smith came to Oregon from Ohio 23 years ago. Twenty-two years he lived in eastern Oregon, and the last year in Portland. His public services have been many. He was mayor of Medford and a member of the Pendleton school board 18 years. He represented Umatilla county in the state senate for eight years. He has been a member of the state board of health for several years. Added interest is given Dr. Smith's views at this time because of the fact that he is being prominently mentioned throughout the state as a possible candidate for the democratic nomination for governor.

"I believe citizens of Oregon should be given every inducement to settle upon the 'back lands,'" said Dr. Smith. "The clause requiring residence within 50 miles of the tract filed upon is, generally speaking, a very good thing, but it would be highly desirable, under certain conditions, to exempt Oregon citizens from this requirement."

Would Be Profitable Scheme.

"Suppose that Charles Richmond of Portland files on one 20 acre tract, and on the adjoining tracts Ole Olson and John Johnson of Scandinavia. Richmond has money but he cannot profitably live on the tract. Ole Olson and Johnson have money, but each has a family which could be working, each on its 20 acres, while Ole Olson and Johnson were employed by Richmond to work on his 20 acres. The result would be that Richmond's tract would be developed. Johnson and Olson would be making a living from wages paid them by Richmond, while their families thus supported could be at work getting their own land into shape for production. Everyone would be benefited and none lose. Should some such privilege be given under the requirement that the person hiring the improvements see that the land is developed within, say, four years, I think it would be more certain to secure the development of the entire project on a basis insuring profit to the settlers and averting loss to the government, which, of course, is the thing most to be desired."

Cheap Power Means Much.

"Another possibility that has its appeal is the development, by the government, of electric power at Cello and the transmission of this power to the project where it might be served to the settlers on the same cost basis as the water. Cheap power would mean everything in the reclamation of the land in that district, and we shall urge experimental work that will determine the feasibility of such a plan."

"The forest service is to carry on a series of experiments on the west Umatilla project that will be of interest to the entire state. Strips 200 feet wide will be reserved at intervals of every half mile. These will be used as public roads, and will be planted to forest trees that will serve as a wind break and aid in demonstrating what kinds of forest trees may be best grown in the district."

"Another privilege that I believe would add the settlers in making good would be the extension of the time for the first payment on the land until the second year."

Climate Is Ideal.

"The importance of the west Umatilla project lies not alone in its rich soil and the meteorological conditions that make it the most ideal district in the state for the production of melons, fruits and vegetables as well as grain; being but 300 feet above sea level it is practically exempt from frost danger. The climate is as nearly perfect as could be imagined."

"It is but 6 hours by express from the Portland markets and its peaches and melons and grapes can be gotten here over night. It is served now by two express lines and three freight lines. Upon the completion of the Panama canal boat transportation will be afforded. It may easily take rank as one of the most prosperous and productive districts in all the west."

CHILDREN OF SYLVAN GIVEN ENTERTAINMENT

The Parent-Teacher association of Sylvan gave a successful Christmas entertainment and tree for the children. There were nuts, candy and oranges for all, and a Santa Claus gave presents to the school children. A fine phonograph was presented to the school by the Ladies Aid society.

SONS OF VETERANS TO HAVE DRUM CORPS



Back row, left to right—George Allen, Raymond Beach, Harry Beach, Marshall Blingham, George Abele, Glenn Hull, Francis Auterson, Robert Dodson.
Front row, left to right—Edward Smith, Clemmeh Bredlove, Frain Walker, Harley Davidson, William Hansen, Eugene Hull, George Ellis Carr, Beverly West, Benjamin Hansen.

A fife and drum corps, fully equipped and uniformed, and to be composed entirely of sons of veterans of the Spanish-American war, is being organized by the local veteran camp which has put the problem in the hands of a committee including A. G. Davidson, Dr. J. G. Abele, James Kennedy and L. E. Beach.

Yesterday afternoon at the army 17 youngsters assembled for organization and it was a most lively, enthusiastic bunch of "kids" that could possibly be imagined, lured with the hopes of possessing a real drum and real drum sticks, that lined up at the command of Mr. Beach and attempted to solve

STAFF OF NEWSPAPER IN CALUMET ARRESTED FOR INCITING RIOTS

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They were charged with breaking the necks of children they pulled off the struggling mass in the stairway and with pushing men, women and children out of the second story window of the building.

Sheriff Cruse charges that the publication of these and other stories is part of a conspiracy to incite the strikers to engage in rioting.

Investigation Is Expected.

That the expulsion of President Moyer of the miners from the district will help force a congressional investigation for which the federation has repeatedly asked, was the belief expressed tonight, Congressman W. J. McDonald, whose home is in Calumet, is expected to arrive here tomorrow to personally investigate the strike situation and obtain first hand information regarding Wednesday's horror. Congressman McDonald has always supported the interests demanding a congressional inquiry, and it is believed his visit is significant.

Claude I. Taylor, head of the Michi-

gan Federation of Labor, will also arrive here tomorrow to take charge of the strike.

Both Governor Ferris and George B. Nicholls of Grand Rapids, special prosecutor appointed to handle the strike cases and the grand jury investigation today asked Sheriff Cruse for full information concerning the Moyer affair last night. The grand jury, which has been investigating the strike violence in this region, will resume its sessions next week at Houghton and reports tonight said that an investigation of the Moyer affair would also be made.

Tomorrow will be a day of funerals in Calumet. The remains of 64 of the horror victims will be escorted to their last resting-place tomorrow, following funeral services in six local churches. Members of the federation bereaved as a result of the panic today continued to refuse to accept aid tendered by citizens of the district, because they were ordered not to disobey President Moyer. A number of wagons loaded with supplies departed from the citizens' relief headquarters today for the homes of miners, many of whom are practically starving, but returned with their loads untouched.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The situation in the Calumet strike region is very grave, but I cannot say at this time

whether or not it is a fit subject for federal investigation.

This statement was made tonight by Secretary of Labor Wilson after he had received a telegram from Charles E. Mahoney, vice president of the Western Federation of Miners, informing him of the assault on Moyer and Tanner in the strike district. This message was the first information received other than that contained in press dispatches.

"We urge that you do everything possible to bring about a federal investigation," Mahoney appealed.

"I expect to hear Monday from J. B. Denmore, sent to represent the department at the scene of the strike," said the secretary. "Whatever action this department takes will be largely determined by what he says. This latest development has complicated the situation and I shall give it my entire attention until the crisis is past."

HOG CHOLERA PLAYS HAVOC AT ABERDEEN

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 27.—Cholera has wiped out numerous droves of hogs in the eastern part of the county. There seems to be nothing that can stop the ravages of the disease. Farmers have lost heavily.

arrival of the uniforms for the 32 chaps that are to compose the corps. "Gee, that's as bad as 'tree months or as never comin'," declared the same youth whose enthusiasm bubbled over, to the extent of wanting to go for the drums.

When the boys were commanded to line up for a photograph, 17 were in line, and there were 17 varieties of ideas of a military carriage which were assumed to conform with each boy's ideas. Some stood with chests out and others, knowing that they had been told to stand erect and put chests out, failed to properly discriminate between chests and stomachs. There were those

also who could not be soldiers unless they had uniforms so they stood with hands in their pockets, much to the disgust of others with a better idea, until a kick or a yank displaced the wandering appendages.

The boys will be put through their stunts every Saturday at 2 o'clock, and will be drilled to take part in the annual theatrical and minstrel show that the Spanish-American "vets" are to give at the Orpheum theatre February 10 and 11.

Next summer the boys will be taken into encampment at some point near Portland where several days of real army life will be afforded them.

Removal of Kane, U. of W. President, Arouses Governor

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In leading position among the state universities of the United States, I prefer that the selection of a new president be in the hands of a board having the confidence of the general public to a greater degree than seems to be the case with the present board. Feeling as I do regarding the matter, it is my intention to appoint three or four members on the board of regents of the University of Washington by January 1, for the purpose of protecting the educational work of the university.

"I decided, upon becoming governor, to make the changes in the personnel of the board of regents gradually, feeling that it would be much better to follow this course than to make immediate changes. This course has been followed by me up to the present time, successors having been appointed only in the case of Charles F. Spooner, who resigned on account of moving from the state, and also in the case of Howard G. Cosgrove, resigned.

"Now that the condition I was endeavoring to avoid has been brought

BOSTON MAIL SHOWS A 1000 PER CENT GAIN

Boston, Dec. 27.—When the postal staff of Boston resumed normal speed today it was estimated that the local mail, incoming and outgoing, during the first four days of the week, weighed 231 tons and that 3,300,000 packages were handled. This is an increase of more than 1000 per cent.

STATE FAIR BOARD TO MEET JANUARY 5

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., Dec. 27.—The annual meeting of the state fair board has been called for January 5, when officers will be elected and the board will consider plans for the new exhibit pavilion, for which the last legislature appropriated \$50,000.

REPORT THAT MILWAUKEE WILL START EXTENSION

Centralla, Wash., Dec. 27.—According to a report in circulation the Milwaukee will soon after January 1 begin the extension of the Tacoma & Eastern from Morton, its present eastern terminus. It is generally believed that the road will extend through the Cowitz valley to Kelso and thence parallel the Northern Pacific into Portland.

GIRL BEATS WAY ON TRAIN IN BOY'S DRESS

Lucille Adams Adopts Male Attire and Rides the Brake Beams.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 27.—Riding the brake beams of boxcars in real hobo fashion, pretty Lucille Adams, aged 23 years, arrived in this city today from her home in El Paso, Texas, bound for Butte, Mont., here, according to her story to Matron Phillips of the Travelers' Aid society, she has a position as stenographer waiting her arrival.

"A girl friend of mine and myself left our homes in El Paso several weeks ago to beat our way to Butte, Mont.," the girl said. "We dressed as boys and when we arrived at a city we would remove the trousers and put on a plain skirt."

"All went well until we arrived in Los Angeles, where my companion became separated from me. I came to Sacramento expecting to locate her."

When she arrived here Miss Adams wore a flannel shirt, a plain blue skirt and a boy's cap. After a few hours' stay here she resumed her novel journey.

REAMES TO REPORT ON THE LAND FRAUD CASES

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, Dec. 27.—United States District Attorney Reames of Oregon has an appointment to see the attorney general Monday and make a report on the California-Oregon land fraud cases.

"Until I have reported to the attorney general," he said today, "I feel that it would be improper for me to say anything on the subject for publication."

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