

IRRIGATION CONGRESS USES MUCH CARE IN PASSING RESOLUTIONS

Caution Exercised Owing to Fact Legislature Enacted All Its Recommendations.

All the more cautious and careful because the legislature enacted every legislative recommendation of the irrigation congress last year, this year's session, which closed a two day meeting last night, while going on record by resolutions, on a large number of matters, did so only after exhaustive consideration of each. The resolutions committee was composed of J. W. Brewer, of Redmond, chairman; W. A. Forbes, of Bend; H. H. Lewis, of Madras; Frank Sloan, of Stanfield; C. H. Leonard, of Burns; Guy Rice, of Lakeview; J. H. Fisher, of Haines; N. Duncan, of Nyssa; W. F. Burrell, of Portland. The session is reproduced below.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THIS STATE

The plea of Malheur citizens for recognition of their rights in connection with irrigation projects there was joined with a resolution which called attention to the fact that Oregon has not been receiving her just share of the federal reclamation apportionment. This resolution reads: Whereas, it appears that the state of Oregon has contributed a larger sum to the United States reclamation fund than any other state, and whereas, the apportionment of the reclamation fund to Oregon is so inequitable as to constitute actual discrimination against the people of Oregon; and

Whereas, it appears that the Owyhee and Malheur projects are the earliest investigated by the reclamation service and by said service found feasible; and whereas, the reclamation of the lands of the Owyhee and Malheur districts is desirable both to the sections to be developed, and to the apportionment of the United States reclamation fund; and whereas, the Oregon Irrigation congress has recommended that the United States reclamation service be authorized to again take up the projects of the Owyhee and Malheur districts with a view to the early reclamation of said lands; and that copies of these resolutions be transmitted to the secretary of the interior, and to the secretary of the agriculture, and to each of the senators and representatives of the state of Oregon in congress; and

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR BENHAM FALLS PROJECT DISAPPROVED

The irrigation congress ruled that the Benham falls project in Crook county has had enough time and extension of time and ruled that the state and government should take over the project in this resolution: Whereas in 1904 what is known as Benham Falls segregation in Crook county, Oregon, comprising approximately 75,000 acres of land, was segregated and a contract entered into with individuals for the reclamation of land embraced in the segregation, which contract expired in 1910, and was thereafter extended by the desert land board for a further period of three years, which period will expire in October, 1912, and whereas the entire lapse of time since the forming of said segregation, absolutely no work has been done thereon, with the exception of a few preliminary surveys which were necessary to obtain data in order to segregate said lands; and

PURCHASE OF CANAL UNIT IN CENTRAL OREGON INDORSED

The purchase by the state of the north canal unit of the central Oregon irrigation project, which was made a chief issue of the session by the big

Crook county delegation, was approved by the irrigation congress through this resolution: Whereas, the Carey act project lying on the east side of the Deschutes river in Crook county, Oregon, known as the Central Oregon Irrigation company's North Canada Segregation is only partially completed, but that a large number of acres of land has already been sold in settlement of its segregation, and that many of said settlers are now on said lands; and

O. A. C. IS URGED TO ESTABLISH STATIONS ON THE PROJECTS

The delegation from Canada gave strength to the Oregon belief that an agricultural experiment station on every irrigation project will insure the success of irrigation and add millions of dollars worth of cultivated farms to the taxable properties of the state. The congress accordingly adopted the following resolution: Whereas, the magnificent results that have been realized throughout the state of Oregon, in all agricultural and stock raising pursuits from the passage of the Carey act to the Oregon legislature of 1913, fully demonstrate the wisdom of said measure in the development of the great resources of our state, we most heartily commend the action of the legislature in carrying on work along these lines within the state; and

Whereas, irrigation is one of the great profits of our country, therefore we recommend that the Agricultural college of the state of Oregon, in cooperation with the agricultural department of the United States, be asked to establish small experiment or sub-stations on all irrigation projects, at which place all the problems of soil analysis, plant growth and similar demonstrations may be carried on, and where the young people may be taught the scientific principles of the art of irrigation and the use of water, along with the study of agriculture and horticulture; and

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RESOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE OF BOARD RULES ADOPTED

One of the most important acts of the irrigation congress was the adoption of its "speculator banishing" resolution relative to the need of a change in the rules of the desert land board. J. E. Morson of the Deschutes irrigation company opposed this resolution as did others who have water rights on irrigated lands to sell. It was dramatically sustained by J. W. Brewer of Crook county who spoke in the name of the state and of the settler who has been hurt by the speculator's practice of scratching up a little soil, sowing a little grain, staying on the ground a week, then returning to Chicago or New York or some other city to wait for the land to increase to a price which the speculator can make by its sale. The resolution reads as follows: Whereas, the desert land board's policy under which owners of the Carey act projects obtain certificates of proof have not been satisfactory, and that the state has appropriated the amount of the actual settler and to the localities where the projects are located; and

INTERIOR SECRETARY IS URGED TO PROCEED WITH TUMALO PROJECT

E. G. Hopson, supervising engineer of the reclamation service, objected to the passage of the resolution calling upon the secretary of the interior to proceed at once in the development of the Tumalo project, but it was passed by a strong majority. It reads: Whereas, the state of Oregon has and is engaged in the construction of the Tumalo project, and whereas, the secretary of the interior has already set aside \$450,000 for the construction of this project; and

PROPOSED IRRIGATION OF THE DESCHUTES VALLEY FAVORED

Pending the report on the feasibility of irrigating the Deschutes basin the irrigation congress passed a resolution favoring the project, using these words: Whereas, by the cooperation of the United States and the state of Oregon a survey is being made of the Deschutes valley to determine the feasibility of irrigating the same; and

WOULD NOT HAVE STATE ENGINEER ON DESERT LAND BOARD

There was a dispute over the passage of the resolution that the state engineer should not be a member of the desert land board. State Engineer John H. Lewis declared it would remove from the board its only present technically trained member. W. Lair Thompson said present conditions made the state engineer in the first place one who files judgments; in the second place, a judge who passes on that which he has prejudged. The resolution was passed, but the following resolution asking that the state engineer be appointed rather than elected was tabled.

POLICY WHICH WILL DEVELOP ARID LANDS SHOULD BE ADOPTED

The irrigation congress urged the need for the state to adopt some comprehensive state policy in reclaiming arid lands in the following resolution: Whereas, the development of our large irrigation projects is essential to the future growth and prosperity of Oregon; and

CANADIAN DELEGATES BRING MESSAGE TO IRRIGATION CONGRESS



Top—Canadian delegates—Left to right—Norman S. Rankin, H. F. Peters, William Young, O. Kirkwood. Bottom—Mayor James Kyle of Stanfield, and Master Bill Sloan, mascot of Umatilla delegation—Biggest and littlest delegates at the congress.

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CONSTRUCTIVE POLICY IS FEATURE OF CONGRESS

The Oregon Irrigation congress yesterday went on record as— Supporting state-federal cooperation in reclamation of arid lands in Oregon on a dollar for dollar basis. Desiring that the Oregon Agricultural college establish experiment farms or substations on each irrigation project. Urging the secretary of the interior to authorize the immediate construction of the Tumalo project extension, for which the state has appropriated \$450,000, and the secretary of the interior has set aside \$450,000. Desiring the elimination of the irrigated lands speculation by requiring 50 per cent cultivation and improvement before certificate be granted by desert land board. Requesting of state and national officials, members of legislature, congress, a thorough system of stream gauging and topographical survey.

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Favoring the removal of the state engineer as a member of the desert land board, this over the state engineer's objections. Deferring action favorable to or against the appointment rather than the election of the state engineer. Approving the proposed federal \$100,000,000 bond issue desired by Secretary of the Interior Lane, also approving the removal of the state engineer as a member of the desert land board.

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FURNITURE IN OREGON BUILDING TO BE MADE IN STATE'S SCHOOLS

Manual Training Classes Agree to Supply Structure at San Francisco Fair.

Oregon's building at the San Francisco exposition is to be equipped with furniture made by the manual training classes in the Oregon public schools, according to an announcement yesterday by Assistant State Superintendent E. P. Carlton at the session of the Oregon commission. The assistant superintendent said replies from nearly a score of sections to letters sent out by his department promised the supply of furniture, tables and other bits of furniture, the actual product of the pupils. The commission decided not to engage any permanent employees at this time, and so informed numerous applicants for place who appeared in person before the body. Some special training organization is to be done within a short time, however. This would not demand the entire time of anyone, and the arrangement proposes to cooperate with some well-qualified individual who can give occasional service.

Dr. J. W. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural college, told the commission he would cooperate in the supply of furniture from the college's manual training department. That a special Portland rose day be made a feature of the exposition was urged in a communication signed by Arthur Languth, Mrs. J. G. Frankel and Mrs. B. T. Voorhurst of the Greater Portland Plans association, A. W. McFarland of the Rose society, and E. J. Daly of the Portland Realty board. The commission took no action, but suggested that several days might be celebrated, such as cherry day, apple day and a general floral day in addition to rose day.

Allen H. Eaton of Eugene submitted a report on the landscaping of the grounds around the building. He declared cooperation had been secured from the Portland park board, the state game commission, the schools of Oregon, the University of Oregon, the Oregon Agricultural college, the Garden League, Forestry association, Horticultural society, Mazamas, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls and numerous individuals. An aquarium is recommended as part of the exhibit on the ground floor of the building. The cost of treatment of the grounds as Mr. Eaton outlined it, was estimated at about \$3000, exclusive of proper top dressing and seeding of a caretaker during the exposition. Part of the business of the commission was omitted because of lack of time. This will be taken up tomorrow at an adjourned meeting, beginning at 11 a. m.

STATE IRRIGATION MEN END STORMY, FRUITFUL SESSION

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ect last year, started the securing of remedial legislation, again came to the front and as a result of his plea, good humor was restored and personalities thereafter were not indulged in. One of the most important addresses of the day was most quietly delivered. "We are instructed," said J. G. Camp, federal project manager of Klamath Falls, "if red tape interferes with the welfare of the settlers to cut the red tape, that if questions are raised to let the water users' association settle them. E. J. Burlingame, of Walla Walla, M. J. Lee, of Canby, W. Powers, of the Agricultural college, and George T. Cochrane, eastern Oregon water commissioner, spoke of the presence of delegates at the Oregon Irrigation congress from the Western Canada Irrigation association was highly appreciated by the reclamation forces of this state. Minister Stirs Throng. Duncan Marshall, minister of agriculture of Alberta, is credited with having delivered one of the most effective addresses of the congress. For

CONGRESS ASKED TO GAUGE STREAMS AND SURVEY WATER SHEDS

After the value of a thorough measuring of waters contemplating for use in irrigation had been emphasized by a representative of the United States hydrographic survey, the congress passed the following resolution: Resolved, that we earnestly request of our state and national officials, our members of legislature and congress, that they cause to be made a thorough system of stream gauging and topographical surveys of the water sheds of the state, and that the state of Oregon to the end that the public be fully informed as to water sheds of the state, and that are not thousands of dollars may be saved by the settlers and others in trying to ascertain what are and what are not irrigation and power possibilities within the state.

WASHINGTON BEATS AGGIES

Corvallis, Or., Feb. 14.—The University of Washington tonight defeated the Oregon Agricultural College team at basketball, 22 to 18, in a well played game. King was the star for O. A. C. and Robinson for Washington. Journal Want Ads bring results.

NEW TRAIN SERVICE ON P., E. & E. ELECTRIC ROAD IS ANNOUNCED

Beginning Next Sunday All Cars Will Run Down Fourth Street.

Beginning next Sunday, when every train of the Portland Eugene & Eastern's electrification of the Southern Pacific lines will run down Fourth street, an extensive new alignment of suburban passenger service will prevail out of Portland, according to an announcement yesterday by John M. Scott, general passenger agent. The new service will include 18 trains each way daily between Portland and Eugene, compared with 11 trains now operated. The first of these will leave Oswego at 5:55 a. m. Other trains during the morning will leave at 7:10, 7:25, 8:00, 8:30, 9:45 and at approximately hourly intervals throughout the day. The evening trains will leave Portland for Oswego at 4:15, 5:05, 5:35, 5:55 and 6:20. The last one leaving at 11:45 p. m. to accommodate suburban theatre patrons. All the electric trains, both on the west side line and the Oswego line, will pass in Fourth street at least as far as Burnside, though they may proceed to the Union depot.

In addition, all trains that now have Newberg as their terminus, will continue to McMinnville, giving McMinnville two extra trains each way. One of these trains will leave McMinnville about 6:15 a. m., arriving at Portland about 8 a. m., after leaving McMinnville at 12:40 p. m., arriving at Portland at 2:45. Returning, the first train will leave Portland at 9:30 a. m., arriving at McMinnville at 11:40. The last one leaving McMinnville at 7:40 p. m., arriving at Portland at 7:40 p. m. On the west side line, an entirely new train will be run between Portland and Beaverton, leaving at 6:40 a. m. and arriving here at 7:15 a. m. The trains now going no further than Forest Grove, Nos. 7 and 8, will be continued on to McMinnville, giving that city two more extra trains on the west side line. This train will leave Portland at 8:45 a. m., instead of 9:05 as now, arriving at McMinnville about 11 o'clock. Returning, it will leave McMinnville about 1:20 p. m., arriving here about 3:20.

FUEL DEALERS MEET AT ANNUAL BANQUET

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