

LAND BOARD IS UNFAVORABLE TO ANY INTERFERENCE

Activity of Public Service Commission in Management of Carey Act Projects Not Approved.

LEGAL OPINION IS ASKED

Board Wants Conference With J. E. Monson Relative to His Project Near La Pine.

Salem, Or., Jan. 1.—If the public service commission is going to "butt in" on the management of Carey act irrigation projects which heretofore have been under the jurisdiction of the desert land board, it can take over the entire responsibility and let the land board out entirely.

This sentiment was emphatically expressed by State Treasurer Kay at a meeting of the desert land board Monday afternoon. The state treasurer was decidedly aroused by the order made by the public service commission last week directing the Central Oregon irrigation company to install weirs, provide replacing flumes, and adopt certain methods of furnishing water to settlers on the project.

Legal Opinion Is Requested. Mr. Kay made a motion that the attorney general be requested to furnish the board an opinion as to who had authority over such irrigation projects, but the motion was not put after Secretary of State Olney suggested that he see members of the public service commission and ascertain just the extent to which they assumed jurisdiction by their order.

"If none of the public service commission's business," declared Mr. Kay, "and before I take any further action in relation to the project I want to know what the attorney general's opinion is on the order conflicts with the board."

State Engineer Lewis said he thought Mr. Kay had the wrong idea, as it was his understanding that the commission's order is supplementary to the desert land board and that the commission has broader powers than the board as to rates and service. Mr. Lewis did not think the commission's order was in conflict with any action of the board.

Attorney General Brown demurred to giving an opinion as he said there was a probability that the matter would go to the courts if the irrigation company should continue to challenge the jurisdiction of the public service commission. Governor Withycombe did not attend the meeting, as he had been away from his office all of last week, and reported he was too busy to attend.

The board disapproved of the changes made by the Portland Irrigation company in the agreement prepared by Attorney General Brown for permitting the company to substitute securities in place of the \$50,000 bond deposited by the company in connection with the Paisley irrigation project. As the board is willing to permit the substitution, if a satisfactory contract can be made, the attorney general was instructed to confer with C. E. S. Wood, attorney for the company, and endeavor to agree on a contract.

Astoria Has New Building Ordinance

Astoria, Or., Jan. 1.—Astoria has adopted a new building law, requiring strict observation under a heavy penalty. The new law provides that a building inspector be appointed by the city and that the fire department has been named to supervise building inspection in line with fire prevention work. Before building, repairs or alterations may be started, the owner or agent of the building must make application and submit plans and estimated cost of the improvement.

Paper Money Is Pay For City Employees

No Hand Truck Necessary to Haul Money From Automobile to Treasurer's Office, but Value Is There.

A hand truck used to be necessary to haul the cash for the pay of city employees from the automobile to the city's treasury. It took a couple of men to haul the truck because of the weight of the gold and silver. Monday City Treasurer Adams got \$55,000 from the banks to pay the employees. He carried the money in two bags and handled them as though they were filled with feathers. The money was there but the weight was missing. The \$55,000 was in currency and for the first time in many years employees will receive their pay in paper money.

Claims Noiseless Airplane Engine. Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—American aviators will soon be flying over the enemy lines in airplanes without possibility of detection, if it is of the invention of Lieutenant Edwin J. Shaut of Hornell, who is 24 years old, has been summoned to Washington to demonstrate to the war department his noiseless airplane engine.

SOLD! It's important that in tomorrow's Journal you see page 5.

Government May Build Klamath Line

Big Plan on Strahorn Completed and Rails Are Laid; Federal Workers May Complete Line to Bend.

Klamath Falls, Or., Jan. 1.—The big plan on the Strahorn railroad between the city limits and the Southern Pacific tracks, is now completed and the rails laid as far as the crossing. On the other side of the track, the grade has been thrown up by the dredger for a distance of half a mile so that it will be possible to proceed with the laying of the rails over this distance immediately. When this is accomplished the freight train will start hauling dirt again from the big steam shovel in the Pine Grove district to complete the fill up to the terminus at Second and Klamath.

With the taking over of the railroad systems by the government, a move has been initiated to have the government complete the remaining gap of the Strahorn line to Bend as an economic war measure. Mr. Strahorn believes that when some of the more important problems are worked out, this matter will be taken up.

OPPOSITION VOICED TO NULLIFICATION OF LABOR LAWS IN WAR

Mrs. Trumbull, Secretary of Inspection, Addresses Corvallis Meeting.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 1.—Child labor problems in Oregon as affected by the war were taken up in detail by Mrs. Millie R. Trumbull of Portland, secretary of the state board of inspection of child labor, before a large audience of both men and women in the Home Economics building Monday afternoon.

The request made by the Council of National Defense to the governors of various states that the labor laws be set aside for the duration of the war was bitterly assailed by Mrs. Trumbull. "It is the very last thing we should think of doing," said she, "if we take away from the women and children the safeguards that have been flung around them, no one can tell what will happen, nor what economic conditions we will have to face in the future years."

Other speakers before the Home Economics Convention conference included Mrs. Jean K. Gawler, chairman of the home economics committee of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, speaking on the subject of "Community Leadership and Organization for Home Economics Work"; Professor T. D. Beckwith, who spoke on "Child Labor Prevention and Cure"; Mrs. Alice Dolman, O. A. C., on "First Aid in the Home"; Miss Annie Barrows of the States Relation Service of the U. S. D. A., on "Some Neglected Foods," and Dr. Robert E. L. Holt of the state board of health on "Preventable Death."

Attendance far exceeded expectations.

ADMIRAL SIMS REVIEWS BRITISH CADETS



Cadets attending the British Royal Flying Corps Technical school acted as a guard of honor for Admiral William S. Sims, commander of our naval fleet in European waters, upon his visit to St. Johns school at Ealing. Many of these youthful

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County Agent Named

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 1.—J. E. Larson, for the past four years extension agronomist at the Oregon Agricultural college, has just been appointed county agricultural agent for Polk county.

Professor Larson has been engaged in agricultural work practically all of his life, having been born and reared on a big livestock farm in Iowa. He is a graduate of the Oklahoma State Agricultural college. His new appointment is to take effect at the close of the present Farmers' and Home Makers' week.

Furniture Truck And Car Collide

An automobile truck of the Edwards Furniture company and a streetcar on the St. Johns line, tripper No. 2, in charge of Motorman Singleton and Conductor Malignan, collided yesterday at Killingsworth avenue and Detroit street. The streetcar was eastbound. Only minor damage done.

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CENTRAL OREGON IS WINNER IN REQUEST FOR BETTER SERVICE

Company Ordered to Install System for Measuring Water for Each Land Customer.

Bend, Or., Jan. 1.—As a result of the findings of the public service commission in an investigation recently made into the conditions of the Central Oregon Irrigation company, an order has been issued which is set forth in a report just published.

It is claimed by the settlers, through their attorney, H. H. Dearmond of Bend, that the company is insufficient in size and capacity to provide a reasonable service; that the defendants fail and refuse to repair structures that are in a state of decay and that the defendants discriminate unjustly in the distribution of the water.

In the order just issued it is provided that the irrigation company shall install the next irrigation season some suitable

system for measuring the water for each settler.

The company is also to file with the commission a plan for the systematic distribution of the water, and the company shall also make every reasonable effort to maintain ditches, canals and flumes. It is also provided that the company shall establish a depreciation reserve and shall set aside money for the maintenance of the project.

Red Cross Kept Out; Dance Manager Held

Five Girls Refused Opportunity to Solicit Memberships at Arion Hall Monday Night—Man Socialist.

When five Red Cross girls attempted to enter the Arion dance hall at Second and Oak streets Monday night to solicit memberships from the men, they were ordered away by the manager of the dance. The girls reported the matter to the police station, with the result that Chief Johnson, Captain Inskeep and Patrolmen Sarrle and Cameron returned to the hall with the girls.

When questioned regarding the affair, O. J. Johnson, floor manager, replied that he had already exposed the Red Cross, and intended doing so again. Johnson is 20 years old and told the officers he was secretary of the local Socialist party. On orders of the chief of police he was arrested and will be held for investigation by the federal authorities.

WATERWAYS MUST BE UTILIZED SOON

Movement Is Started in Senate to Commandeer All Rivers and Canals for Traffic.

Washington, Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—"Jim Hill warned this country many years ago that the railroads were not keeping up with the growth of the country, and could not keep up, and said the time would come when waterways simply would have to be used."

Advocates of waterways development rallied around this statement by Senator Reed of Missouri Monday, and launched a vigorous campaign to bring relief to the railroad situation.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board instructed Vice President Piez of the Emergency Fleet corporation to make an immediate investigation of the possibilities of the waterways. Mr. Piez will be able to utilize the survey recently completed by General William Black, chief of the federal engineering corps.

McAdoo to Be Interested. Senator Reed put the question of the immediate action on the rivers and canals up to Director General McAdoo of the railroads. He recommended that McAdoo ask for an appropriation of \$500,000 to put the waterways in condition for use, and for the construction of tugs and barges. Chairman Hurley intimated the shipping board may request a special budget for the same purpose.

The Ohio, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois and other rivers of the interior are to be utilized, as well as all available canals and the Atlantic seaboard, if the program carries.

"When Hill spoke the danger was more impending than real," said Senator Reed. "Since then years have come, the roads have quit extending and spent less money for equipment. Now, with the war on hand, they have simply broken down under the load."

Unified Control Is Essential. "While it is believed that unified control will help, conditions will be just as bad or worse next year."

"In the emergency, every navigable waterway in the country can be put in shape and equipped with a fleet of barges and towboats in the space of six months at a cost not to exceed \$50,000,000."

It would be possible, by connecting Chicago and the Twin Cities in the north, and the Pacific coast via the Panama canal, with the Atlantic seaboard, to take a tremendous load off the railroads.

Tax Levy Increased. The Dalles, Or., Jan. 1.—Property-owners of The Dalles will pay taxes computed on a 36.4 mill levy for 1917, being 2.8 higher than last year. Eight-tenths of a mill increase is for road purposes. The city council levied an 11.6 mill tax for city purposes, and 13.4 mills will be required to operate the schools next year.

Edlefson's wish you a happy 1918.

Jeweler's Complaint Acts as Boomerang

Patron of North End Shop Says He Does Not See Why He Could Not Get Drunk Where He Bought Liquor.

Joseph Mazurosky, proprietor of a jewelry shop at 524 North Sixth street, complained to the police Monday night that William Jett was intoxicated in his place of business and refused to get out. Patrolmen Gouldstone, Miller and Crane answered the call. When they attempted to take Jett to the station he did not see why he could not get drunk in the place where he bought the liquor.

Mazurosky's safe gave up two bottles of liquor and Mazurosky was taken to the station to answer a charge of bootlegging. At the police station he gave \$250 bail for his appearance. Jett was locked up in default of \$25 bail, but an hour later Mazurosky appeared at the station and put up the \$25.

REVIEW OF RELIEF WORK IN BELGIUM IS GIVEN IN REPORT

Needs of Country Set Forth and Place Where Funds Should Be Sent Told.

C. Henri Labbe has received a copy of the review of the relief work done in Belgium. The review is sent out by the Belgian legation at Washington. It explains the work and needs of the country and tells where funds should be sent.

"The Belgian relief fund works for the aid of Belgian refugees," says the review. "It has established in France about 80 school colonies which shelter more than 8,000 children. It also cares for the upkeep of numerous institutions for old people, infants, refugees in distress, wounded and invalided soldiers."

"The King Albert fund, now at No. 1, rue Jules Lefebvre, Paris, cares for the present need of sheltering the homeless in the devastated regions of Belgium. The Cardinal Mercier fund is for the purpose of supplying Cardinal Mercier with means of relieving the suffering with which he constantly meets in the part of Belgium occupied by the enemy. All classes and creeds look to the cardinal for moral and material aid."

"Mr. E. de Cartier, Belgian minister at Washington, will be glad to receive and forward any contributions intended for these and similar funds."

Woman Is Victim of Mysterious Attack

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Mrs. Marie Nonni, wife of a local banker, today lies in a precarious condition in

the receiving hospital and her daughter, Annie, aged 10, is suffering from a gunshot wound in the arm as a result of a mysterious shooting. Mrs. Nonni attended a party across the street from her residence. She returned at midnight. About 1:30 Annie was awakened by her mother's screams. A man was standing over the bed beating the woman about the head. When the child tried to interfere the intruder drew a pistol. Mrs. Nonni was shot through the body and her daughter received a bullet in the arm. Lorenzo Nonni, the husband and father, was at work at the time.

Dandelions on Job; Spring "Has Come"

Brownsville, Or., Jan. 1.—For the last several days Linn county has been enjoying June-like weather. At Brownsville meadow larks are singing and bees are humming. A warm chinook wind out of the Cascades Sunday and a burst of sun sent the thermometer bulb dancing skyward, flirting gaily with the 80-degree mark.

Wild mustard is in full bloom in the orchards and pastures in certain favored spots, and in the yellow flowers innumerable bees are humming. In fact the drone and buzz of them is heard on every hand, for mustard is not the only flower in bloom. Dandelions have appeared in lawns and streets.

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The Home-Maker's Golden Opportunity Furniture at a Price—Liberal Credit

A Four-Weeks' Carnival of Furniture Bargains

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Hall Seats and Mirrors Greatly Reduced

\$100 Quartered Oak Hall Seat and Mirror priced at\$56.85
\$65 Quartered Oak Hall Seat and Mirror priced at\$34.50
\$42 Quartered Oak Hall Seat and Mirror priced at\$24.50
\$26 Quartered Oak Hall Seat and Mirror priced at\$15.75

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The Largest Stock, the Best Patterns, the Lowest Prices.

\$17.50 English Tapestry Brussels Rugs, 9x12-6, reduced to\$13.25
\$25 Seamless Brussels Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$19.50
\$35 Saxony Axminster Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$26.65
\$18 Seamless Brussels Rugs, 7-6x9, reduced to\$13.25
\$25 Seamless Velvet Rugs, 7-6x9, reduced to\$18.35
\$37.50 Wilton Velvet Rugs, 7-6x9, reduced to\$28.75

Fine Wilton Rugs

\$82.50 Ardabil Wilton Rugs, 9x12 \$63
\$75 Oxford Wilton Rug, 9x12 \$57.50
\$69.25 Anglo-Indian Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$51.75
\$65 Bagdad Wilton Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$49.75
\$55 Mahal Wilton Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$41.85
\$47.50 Kymric Wilton Rugs, 9x12, reduced to\$36.65

Lace Curtains Greatly Reduced

Battenberg and Cluny Nets in White and Ecru.

Reg. \$5.00 Curtains, pair \$2.95
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Nottingham and Sunfast Combinations.
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Reg. \$6.00 Curtains, pair \$3.00
Extra reductions on all three and four pair lots. All odd pairs at half price.

Bargains in Ranges

\$42.00 Garland Gas Range, four-hole, top oven, reduced to\$28.50
\$45.00 Garland Gas Range, top oven, four-hole, reduced to\$34.85
\$45.00 Stewart Special Range, for apartment houses, two-hole, top oven and broiler, reduced to\$32.65

Steel Ranges Reduced

\$50.00 Stewart Range, six-hole, sanitary base, reduced to\$38.75
\$90.00 Garland Malleable Steel Range, cabinet base, reduced to\$69.50
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\$23.50 Garland Heaters, cast iron, with steel sides, reduced to\$15.80
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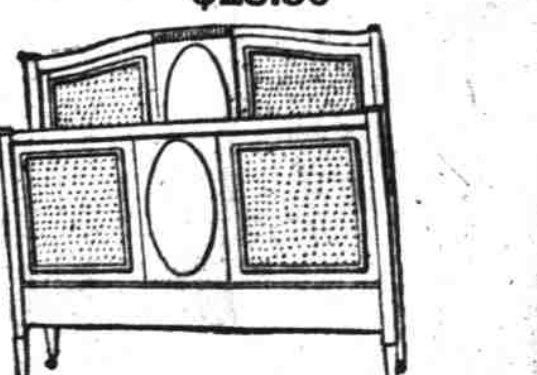
\$138 Din'g Suite \$108.50
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