

RECLAMATION IS MAKING GOOD IS OPINION OF LANE

Report of Secretary of Interior
Includes Detailed Statement
Regarding Projects in Oregon.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(WASH-
INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOUR-
NAL).—While the reclamation funds
are low, for reasons easily explained,
the progress of existing projects, as
shown by the annual report of Sec-
retary Lane of the interior depart-
ment, is steady and satisfactory.
Reclamation is making good.

In the last year the million acre point
in land actually cropped was passed,
and the average value of the products
reached \$63.60, with no account taken
of livestock and poultry. Alfalfa is far
in the lead of all other crops, and oc-
cupies 40 per cent of all the land under
cultivation. The Salt River project in
Arizona alone produced \$18,000,000 in
crop values, enough in one year to pay
its entire construction cost one and one-
half times over.

All the projects, however, have not
reached the point of repayment, and
after repayment begins the money comes
back in installments spread over 20
years, so the immediate return is not
large. Then from the fund \$1,000,000
has to be deducted each year to return
to the government the \$20,000,000 bond
loan made some years ago. Receipts
from sale of public lands have dimished
rapidly the last few years, because
so little desirable land is left in the pub-
lic domain. Add to this the present ab-
normal cost of labor and materials for
construction, and the reason for scanti-
ness of the funds appears.

UMATILLA PROJECTS
The summary of crop reports for Oregon
projects shows that for Umatilla
there is an irrigable acreage of 24,658,
with \$100 acres actually irrigated and
\$119 acres cropped. The crop value was
\$23.75 per acre.

The Klamath project report shows
50,000 acres irrigable, 33,268 acres ir-
rigated and 32,127 cropped, with an av-
erage crop value of \$23.92.

Umatilla was one of six projects
studied for the purpose of ascertaining
how many of the original settlers re-
main to learn whether there is founda-
tion for statements that much of the
land is taken for speculation. It was
found that taking all six projects to-
gether, there were 1167 settlers, and
that 1512 are still on the land or have
"proved up." In the case of Umatilla,
there were 289 original settlers and 138
remain or have secured title.

BOISE MOST SUCCESSFUL
The other projects covered in this in-
vestigation were the Boise in Idaho,
which is regarded as one of the most
successful, and four less prosperous,
Huntley in Montana, Minidoka in Idaho,
Shoshone in Wyoming, and North Platte
in Nebraska-Wyoming. The conclusion
reached is that speculation has played
a small part with settlers on reclama-
tion projects.

The report makes the following com-
ment on the Oregon projects:
"The Umatilla project in Oregon has
always been bothered by drifting sand,
and in some restricted localities by an
extremely coarse subsoil which allows
the rapid escape of irrigation water and
the leaching of soil. These difficulties
are being overcome to some extent and
progress in cultivation is steady and en-
couraging. Urgent requests have been
made for the government to enlarge the

project by taking over some of the private
canals which have insufficient water
supply and constructing a reservoir
to serve them. This can not be un-
dertaken without additional funds.

KLAMATH PROJECT EXTENDED

"The Klamath project in Oregon and
California is being gradually extended
as the waters of Tule lake recede owing
to the diversion of the supply through
government works. Drainage works
are in progress and have been successful
so far as constructed. Legislation is
pending to permit the reclamation of the
lands around lower Tule lake, but has
not yet been passed. The project can not
be successfully developed without addi-
tional legislation. The irrigated lands,
however, is productive and the settlers
generally prosperous."

Nearly 400,000 acres are embraced in
proposed new projects in Oregon, upon
which preliminary investigations have
been made. An even 200,000 acres are
comprised in the Deschutes project alone.
Results of the inquiry are summarized
as follows:

Klamath pumping units, 23,000 acres,
all private land estimated to cost \$1,200,-
000, ready for construction.

Langell valley, 17,000 acres of private
land, estimated to cost \$1,000,000, ready
for construction.

Tule lake, 17,000 acres of public land,
estimated to cost \$1,250,000, ready for
construction.

Rogue river, 30,000 acres, all privately
owned, estimated to cost \$2,000,000, not
ready.

Greater Umatilla, 3500 acres of public
land, 12,000 acres privately owned and
2050 acres of railroad land, estimated to
cost \$3,100,000, not ready.

Owyhee, 6000 acres of public land and
17,000 acres privately owned estimated
to cost \$2,100,000, not ready.

Deschutes, 200,000 acres of privately
owned land, estimated to cost \$12,000,000,
not ready.

Lower Powder river, 38,000 acres of
public land, including 17,000 acres with-
drawn under the Carey act, and 25,000
acres of private land, estimated to cost
\$7,000,000, not ready.

Horrible storage project, 2000 acres of
private land and 1400 acres of private
land, estimated to cost \$300,000, not
ready.

**OREGON LAND ACREAGE
CHANGES ARE REPORTED**

Washington, Dec. 6.—(WASHINGTON
BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—Land
acres held in reserves or withdrawn
under bureau of the department of
the interior in Oregon, with changes
which took place during the last fiscal
year, are shown in the annual report of
Secretary Lane as follows:

During the last fiscal year, 788,508
acres in Oregon were designated under
the enlarged homestead act, and 440
acres cancelled, leaving outstanding on
June 30, 18,938,987 acres.

As stock raising homesteads, 1,041,-
027 acres were designated and 120 acres
cancelled, and as there were no out-
standing designations when the fiscal
year began, the total outstanding acre-
age is 1,040,907.

Reservoir site reserves remained with-
out change through the year at 10,619
acres.

To power site withdrawals 1760 acres
were added and 988 acres restored, with
outstanding withdrawals at the end of
the year of 422,744 acres.

For public water reserves 9262 acres
were withdrawn, making a total for this
class of lands of 11,714 acres.

Coal land classification in Oregon is
unchanged, with 4361 acres withdrawn,
7195 acres classified and appraised,
valued at \$174,845, and a valuation at
minimum price of \$117,729.

BETTER HIGHWAYS FOR CRATER LAKE PARK URGED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Secretary
Lane of the interior department in his
annual report urges the inclusion of the
Diamond lake region in Crater Lake
National park and suggests a new en-
trance to the park from the Central
Oregon highway, near Crescent. Re-
building and repairing of approach roads
for automobile traffic is declared an im-

mediate need, for which funds are avail-
able.

Secretary Lane's report makes the fol-
lowing comment:

"The outstanding features of the past
year in this park are the completion,
after several years' work, of the road
around the rim of the lake, and the
transfer of the engineering projects from
the control of the corps of the engineers
of the army. This transfer will permit
of future progress in all the parks in
accordance with a uniform policy. Trails
were built this year from the Rim road
to Sun notch and Crater peak. Be-
cause of the character of the natural
surfaces the maintaining of good roads
has been difficult. Experience, how-
ever, has taught that an oil-bound mac-
adam road much more satisfactorily
withstands travel demands than does
water-bound macadam. If Crater Lake
National park is to be developed as a
resort for motorists, approach roads
must be rebuilt or repaired. State and
federal aid funds are now available and
this improvement should be rushed to
completion."

"The hotel service at Crater Lake
lodge was better than last year. In
August nearly 400 members of the Na-
tional Editorial association arrived in
the park, taxing the hotel facilities be-
yond its capacity. However, the cham-
bers of commerce of Ashland and Med-
ford, together with the park superin-
tendent, contributed tents and blankets,
making the excursionists fairly com-
fortable for the one night they spent
in the park."

"Senator McNary of Oregon has in-
troduced a bill providing for the addi-
tion of the Diamond lake section to
Crater Lake National park. A road con-
necting the Diamond lake country with
the Rim road would be a simple matter,
and with the aid of state and county
authorities, from a point south of Cres-
cent on the Central Oregon highway, a
new entrance into this park could be
developed. Camping facilities around
Diamond Lake are excellent."

Employers Split; Union Heads See End of Big Strike

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—(U. P.).—
Union leaders protested tonight to see
the end of the shipyard strike in a
disagreement that has come in the
ranks of the employers.

The foundry owners and other metal
trades employers have split. The for-
mer desire to meet the union's demands.
About 30 foundries are now operating
under union conditions. Ten have con-
ceded the union scale within the past
week, union men state. All plants op-
erating foundries which are members of
the California Metal Trades association
have withdrawn from the California
Foundrymen's association.

"Our strike is won," said Secretary
Miller of the Bay Cities Metal Trades
council.

The shipyards recently opened under
open-shop regulations and have been
operating on a limited scale. The strike
started October 1.

SEATTLEMENT OF JENKINS
CASE MAY BE REJECTED

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.).—The
case of William O. Jenkins, American
consular agent at Puebla, is not con-
sidered by this government as satisfac-
torily settled, it was learned at the
state department tonight.

If an investigation by the state de-
partment bears out the reported surrep-
titious furnishing of bail for Jenkins' re-
lease from prison, it is believed another
note will be sent Carranza by this gov-
ernment, laying the manner in which
the Mexican government liberated Jen-
kins to uphold its stand that the consular
agent could only be freed upon pre-
sentation of \$500 bail.

Should it be proved that trickery was
used by the Mexican government in re-

leasing Jenkins, it is believed that the
matter will not be carried farther than
a condemnation by this government of
the Carranza methods, however.

Although without official confirma-
tion of the release of Jenkins on bail,
the state department ordered the Ameri-
can embassy at Mexico City to deter-
mine the following:

1—Why was bail furnished?
2—By whom was it furnished?
3—At whose instance was it fur-
nished?

The state department will look into
the activities of J. Walter Hansen, who
was reported to have furnished a check
for 1000 pesos for Jenkins' release with
the explanation that he was a friend,
it was learned.

It is reported here that Hansen in
January of this year was representing
Luis Cabrera, secretary of the Mexican
treasury, in New York.

It was declared here that the accept-
ance of a check for the bail of a pri-
soner was contrary to custom in Mexico,
where cash was said to be required to
secure a parole.

**GERMANS BALK WHEN
SENATE BEATS TREATY**

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terials needed to start world trade go-
ing and industries becoming normal.

DEPENDS ON AMERICA
There is something pathetic in the
way the ambassadors and ministers of
European countries talk of their de-
pendence on America. It is quite paral-
lel to their expressions in the days when
the United States decided to come to
the aid of the allies and send an army
here now that the armies are demobilized
and there is really very little physical
force to make Germany do the bidding
of the allies.

Economic pressure alone, meaning
thereby a control of the commodities,
including food, that go into Germany can
bring the Germans to book. Indeed that
is what the League of Nations was
created for. But the Germans know full
well that the various commissions,
especially the all-important reparations
commission, cannot begin to function
until the most powerful member of the
associated powers is represented. So
long as the United States plays a lone
hand and sends her products to Germany
and makes her own deals with German
bankers and merchants, the Germans
will be virtually independent of the in-
fluence of the League of Nations or the
allies. For unless there is a cohesive
partnership between the allies and the
United States on the one hand, the moral
and physical power of the league of
nations to command from Germany obedi-
ence to the provision of the peace treaty
is admittedly diminished if not
impaired.

RATIFICATION NEEDED
Whatever may be the merit of ob-
jections that have been raised to certain
provisions in the covenant of the league,

FALL RESOLUTION DOOMED TO DEFEAT

Three Members of Senate For-
eign Relations Committee Are
Ready to Back Democrats.

By L. C. Martin

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.).—At
least three members of the foreign
relations committee of the senate, it
was learned tonight, will vote with
the Democrats to defeat the Fall res-
olution directing that relations with
Mexico be broken, if President Wil-
son says it would hamper or embar-
rass him. This would insure defeat
of the measure in committee.

The attitude of these Republicans
caused adjournment of a conference of
Republican committee members today
without decision as to their course
when the whole committee meets Mon-
day.

Senator Borah, speaking for those who
took this stand, said that he desires to
cooperate with Wilson and not to inter-
fere with him.

"I took the position," said Senator
Borah, "that passage of the resolution
would serve no useful purpose. Handling
the Mexican question is an executive
function. Congress has no power to act
unless asked to do so."

Senator Hitchcock, administration
leader, tonight predicted defeat of the
Fall resolution.

"The Republicans thought they had
put President Wilson in a difficult po-
sition," said Senator Hitchcock, refer-
ring to the sending of the sub-committee
to the White House yesterday. "They
found they had created a difficult sit-
uation for themselves instead. The Fall
resolution is dead, in my opinion."

Fall expects President Wilson to com-
municate with either him or with Sen-
ator Lodge before Monday. Henry P.
Fletcher, American ambassador to Mex-
ico, conferred with Fall at the capitol
late today. Both declined to discuss
the purpose of the conference.

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**Wilson's Condition
Gives Strong Hope
Of Speedy Recovery**

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.).—Dr. F.
X. Dercum, Philadelphia neurologist, is
highly pleased with the improved con-
dition of President Wilson, he an-
nounced today on leaving the White
House after his weekly examination and
consultation with Dr. Grayson.

"There is little need of my making a
statement," he said, "for Senator Fall
seems to have done it for me."

On account of the snowstorm the Presi-
dent remained indoors and disposed of
some official business.

**1000 Freight Cars
Of Real Whiskies
Await Distribution**

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.).—
Liquor dealers in this city are all pre-
pared for the lifting of the lid, whether
it be lifted by the United States supreme
court or any other agency. More than
1000 freight cars are said to be waiting

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whether reservations can cover all the
objections raised or not, the biggest fact
in international affairs today is the need
of a prompt ratification of the peace
treaty. European governments would
have very little objections to some of the
reservations proposed. Others could be
modified to avoid embarrassments. But
foreign trade, international exchange and
business generally is expected to receive
a big impetus the moment the treaty is
ratified. Europe is straining at the
leash. Reconstruction is not possible
without adequate funds. Until the part
that America is to play in world affairs
is definitely known, reports indicate that
European countries will remain in a
state of pitiful stagnation.

The hope is that America will do some-
thing by Christmas. The answer can be
found only in the American senate. There
word is still awaited from the president
as to the extent to which he will compro-
mise, so the next move is a message
from Mr. Wilson during the coming week
urging again the ratification of the peace
treaty.

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