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FRIENDS OF EXTENSION MAKE STRONG SHOWING BEFORE CLUB

Adjudication Suits Will Proceed No Matter What Happens---Private Filing Becomes Effective if Government Abandons Extension

Here is a Summary of the Argu-® ments of those Favoring the West Elextension:

It means the expenditure of four millions of dollars within the state by the government. Oregon can get no reclamation

money for years if the Extension is Governmental Irrigation is superior

to irrigation by private companies.

The rights of the settlers on the upper river will not be injured by the

The adjudication of the upper river rights will proceed no matter what happens to the Extension.

lands as may be taken from them for reservoir purposes.

Those settlers are not as seriously opposed to the extension as is claim-

The rights of the Indians of the Umatilla reservation to water will be determined regardless of what happens to the Extension, Dr. Andrew C. Smith of Portland

has a filing on the flood waters which becomes effective if the government abandons the Extension.

That filing was made in behalf of Dr. H. W. Coe who will supplant the government and claim the water should the Extension be abandoned.

Officials Payor It.

Immediately after the meeting had been called to order in the Oregon before the state water board the govtheatre, Secretary Jack Keefe, of the ernment had placed its rights under a letter from State Engineer John H. Lewis wherenot attend the meeting but urged the endorsement of the Umatilla extension. It was set forth in the message that the building of the extension would not affect the rights of upper river settlers and that the water rights would have to be adjudicated regardless of the outcome of the movement for the extension.

A letter was also read from United States Attorney John McCourt who also favored the carrying out of the extension. In his letter Mr. McCourt disclaimed full knowledge of the details in connection with the extension but upheld the position taken by Messrs Hopson and Morton.

At the Oregon theater meeting last evening the opening in behalf of those fighting for the Umatilla extension was fired by I. E. Davis, formerly engineer in the reclamation service. In his address he disclaimed speaking as a reclamation attorney but intimated his data was obtained from governmental sources. Mr. Davis' paper in full is given below.

D. C. BROWNELL

"Why have the opponents of the Umatilia extension waited until this late hour to make known their objections to the move," was the opening remark of D. C. Brownell of Umatilla, one of the stalwarts in the extension brigade. Continuing, Mr. Brownell told of the long, hard work for the extension and of the difficulty encountered by the Pendleton Commercial club and others in inducing Portland people to assist in the fight. He held forth the argument that the carry ng out of the extension will be of vast benefit to the state at large and that the government's proposed work cannot in any manner affect the

rights of settlers on the upper river. Mr Brownell was the sole speaker from Umatila and when he cut short his remarks was notified he would be allowed to speak again later in the evening, but no opportunity arose for

him to speak again, Following Mr. Brownell, E. P. Dodd took the floor and served as the second speaker from Hermiston, His address in full is given below:

R. R. JOHNSON

One of the strongest arguments presented in behalf of the extension was that by Attorney Roscoe R. Johnson, who ably summed up the contentions of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of those who are fighting for governit was all the crew could do to keep of the crew could do t clared, as did other speakers, that the

Discussing the Andrew C. Smith filing upon the flood waters, made on the prospect the government might abandon the project, he declared that

this filing will be kept alive in the

event the government withdraws. He

intimated that while private parties

holding that filing might not actually reclaim the land under the extension they would make seeming efforts to do so and would retain control of the water so that it would not become available for use further up the stream.

Touching upon the subject of governmental versus private irrigation, The settlers on the Umatilla mea-dows will be fully repaid for such project to be the most perfect, from a standpoint of workmanship, of any in the United States and he strongly urged that Uncle Sam be allowed to do the work that that the extension not be turned over to private parties

OLIVER P. MORTON

Oliver P. Morton, attorney for the eclamation service, and the gentlenan who brought the adjudication sults against the users along the Umatilla river and tributary streams, was the butt of much criticism last night

Discussing the adjudication suits Mr. Morton said they had been brought in compliance with the Oregon irrigation code and that by going He said that in governmental circles er cans. the adjudication suits are regarded as

was made to a question propounded for which civilization stands. C. C. Chapman, secretary of the Portland Commercial club,

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ARIZONA IS DEMOCRATIC

Early Returns Indicate Defeat of Every Republican Candidate for Office in Newest State.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 13 .- Although the count is proceeding slowly and TAFT MACHINE IS returns are fragmentary, republicans admitted today that the democrats had probably won, by a small majority, every state office save possibly that of state treasurer in the state's first election yesterday. This Hayben, congressman The democrats will have a large majority in both the state legislative houses, which will elect two United States senators.

Chairman Hayes of the republican committee said the democrats would carry probably the whole ticket by 00 majority. Chairman B rde of the democrate committee, estimated they would win by a majority of 3500,

NOBILITY SHIP WRECKED

British Dukes, Duchess and Princesses Barely Rescued from Death at Sca During Voyage.

Gibraltar, Dec. 13.-The British teamer Delhi, aboard of which were the Duke and Duches of Fife, Princesses Alevandera and Princess Maud, went ashort near Cape Trafalgar during a flerce gale last night. She was pounding to pieces and waves were breaking over her when the French the ship and rescuing the passenger | member be present, after lifeboats had failed and hope |

Egypt. sengers were becoming desperate and o decision.

ome from jumping into the sea. The Delphi is one of the finest . the river will proceed regardless of what action may be taken with reference to the extension.

Ships in the Oriental service. She that every member be on hand and do have a carried a number of the English not builty, who wanted to spend the winter in Europe terminates the country and by the state of Oregon.

COMMERCIAL CLUB, AS JURY, HEARS HOTTEST

With the Oregon theatre packed to the roof with people filled with • intense interest in the settlement of the controversy over the Umatilla * Extension the Pendleton Commercial Club, sitting as a jury, heard both • sides of the case last night and this evening the organization will convene at its club quarters to take such action as it deems proper.

"It is a peach of a rookish," declared C. C. Chapman of Portland.

and he hit the nail between the eyes, to use a mixed metaphor. From the time the debate started after President Smythe of the Commercial club led the crowd to the theatre when the city hall room was found too small, there were no dull monents.

Settlers from Birch and McKay creek were out in force. Stanfield was there with a goodly representation and Hermiston came with a special train and many shouts. They also bore aloft a banner, "Let Uncle Sam Do It."

It was 1 o'clock when the meeting adjourned and the fight didnot stop then. A meeting of the waterusers of the upper river was held and resolutions setting forth their side of the case were adopted 4 while Dr. Coe addressed them setting forth that he is willing to convey to the Pendleton Commercial club the Andrew C. Smith filing which & will become effective in the event the government abandons the extension. His action was in the nature of an answer to one of the star . arguments advanced last night by those upholding the cause of the extension

President Dan P. Smythe held the chair throughout the session and . endeavored to bring forth the arguments both for and against the extension. Speakers were treated with courtesy by the audience and • rounds of applause came forth from the adherents of the respective sides when telling points were made.

A dramatic scene was enacted when E. P. Dodd of Hermiston made disclosures regarding the Andrew C, Smith filing and openly charged • Dr. H. W. Coe as being behind that move. The point was a telling one and it permitted the Hermistonians to let loose their pent up feelings 4 When Mr. Dodd had concluded Dr. Coe rose and made a reply that ♦ was greeted with derisive shouts and hisses.

It was originally the intention of the members of the Commercial club to meet in their club rooms following the theatre session and take action. However the hour was so late when the flow of oratory ceased . that a motion to postpone action until tonight was carried.

DEMANDS ABROGATION LABORITE ENVOLVED OF RUSSIAN TREATY IN TIMES EXPLOSION

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Congressman Sultzer In- Frisco Leader Who is Misssists on Immediate Action

Washington, Dec. 13:-Immediate Los Angeles, Dec. 13:-

"For nearly half a century Russia having but a slight bearing on the has persistently refused to liv cup rectly responsible for the loss of extension. These suits will be carried to the treaty and recognize passports twenty-one lives. We know that John through regardless of what may be of American citizens without dis- McNamara sent J.m McNamara to done with reference to the extension. crimination. We can't tolerate this work if der his direction and he or-This reply, given in a guarded form, injustice. It is foreign to everything dered the Times dynamited.

question. It is a question in solving the rights of American citizens.

which are also i sued to Baptist mis- shadowed day and night, donaries and Catholic priests.

treaty must be arranged; one with- Jim, out loopholes, for Russia to discrim-

BEING ASSEMBLED

Washington, Dec. 13 .- President's anti-Tafe stampede. The arrange- serted, ments committee meets at Chicago the WOMAN WOUNDS HER BABY econd week in January.

Chairman New and Edwin Lee. chairman of the republican state points today because Lee sala Pres-

his many friends.

ing Will Ae Prosecuted

local control and stood the same as action by congress for the abrogation .- That the Times dynamiting case is in he expressed his regret he could adjudge to sail and the country are consistent and the country and the cou adjudication suits and the proposed in the hous eby Congressman Sulzer noon when Assistant District Attorney Umatilla extension were two separate today as a result of Russia's refusal Ford announced that a prominent San affairs and should be so considered. to honor payports of Jewish Am- Francisco labor leader will be arrested and prosecuted,

"This man," said Ford, "was diman has not been heard from since This is not specifically a Jewish he left New York for the Pacific st recently.

"Although the man is supposed to "Russia not alone refuses to rec- have disappeared we know where he ognize Jewish passports but those is. He cannot escape He is being

"John McNamara didn't know when "This matter must be settled defi- Jim was sent out here that the Times nitely, once and for all. A new was to be dynamited. Neither did

> "This man was in Los Angeles at . the time of the explosion. We will and finds that it is feasible to bring it would mean the expenditure of convict him when his case comes to trial.

Leaders Still Missing. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.-The

Taft's private secretary, Hilles, and whereabouts of Diaf Tvictmee, presi-New, of Indiana, newly elected head dent of the San Francisco Labor counof the sub-committee of the republi- cil and A tone Johannsen, a fellow means that G. Hunt, democrat, will can national committee, having official, continues to puzzle federal be Arizona's first governor, and Carl charge of the convention arrange- authorities. Nothing has been heard ments, are today busy framing for of them since they left New York for waters of the Umatilla for the use of Taft leaders in the various states, iron the Pacific coast over a week ago. clad Taft instructions, to prevent any They knew McNamara well, it is as-

THEN KILLS HERSELF

Vancouver, B. C .- Mrs. G. H. Woolcommittee of Indiana, are at sword's dridge, aged 26, a resident of Collingwood, a suburb of Vancouver atdent Taft could not carry Indiana in tempted to kill her baby daughter, 1912. New says the statement is aged five weeks, and then killed her-'inspired." Lee says it was made self. She cut the child's throat and after a tedious examination of the then her own. Her husband, returning to his home after a short absence found his wife dead and his baby Dallas O'Hara, for several years a barely alive. The child was taken to resident of Pendleton, is in the city the hospital and will probably recovfor a few days shaking hands with er. Mrs. Wooldridge is believed to have gone suddenly insane,

Owing to the vast importance of the question to be passed upon at . cruiser Briant succeeded in reaching • the Commercial club meeting tonight it is of importance that every • government should not drive settlers editor of the East Oregonian. How-

It is squarely up to Pendleton to take a position regarding the prohad been abandoned. She ran be posed extension. There can be no dodging of the issue and local peoaground during a fog, en route to | ple must do their duty as they see it.

For many months people in the western section of the county have been at sea because of delay over the extension. One and all, those • Two British cruisers spent the night trying to reach the ship The pas-

It is stated advisedly that the authorities at Washington are walting with interest for the voice of the Pendleton Commercial club. At . the session this evening Pendleton will go on record, Let every member be on hand and do his duty by the town, by

DEBATE IN HISTORY OF EASTERN OREGON EXTENSION FOES WAGE FIERCE FIGHT FOR ITS ABANDONMENT

Declare Project Will Mean More Loss Than Gain to Umatilla County---Will Injure Welfare of Upper River Waterusers

Here is a summary of the argu-S cents against the Extension of the Umatilla project.

The carrying out of the Extension will mean taking water that should be used on the upper river and using it upon the extension.

The government, in order to carry out the Extension will ruin over one million dollars worth of land in Umatilla county.

The loss to Umatilla county from the Extension will more than offset the gain. in securing a reservoir site the gov erument will be forced to drive set-

lers on the Umatilla meadows from their homes In its adjudication suit the government has not allowed upper river ettlers sufficient water per acre for

their lands, The flow of the Umatilla river is insufficient to carry out the Extension without great injury to Other

In planning for the extension the government should consider only the minimum flow of the river, not the average flow. The John Day project is a more de-

sirable project and should be favored over the Umatilla Extension The rights of older settlers should be protected and the government

should not take water to reclaim lands that are owned by the Northern Pacific, the Swifts and the Ladds. Dr. H. W. Coe declares he will

to the Pendleton Commercial club if

first speaker last evening for those what is known as the "Andrew C. ernment. Mr. Burgess presented the service position of the settlers on Birch creek and criticised the government for the adjudication sults. His speech is giv-

JUDGE MARINER

extension by using water from the John Day river taken out at a point

In opening his remarks Mr Schu below the government's prospective declared that at first the extension site at Thirty Mile creek. Judge Mar- appealed to him as it did to others. ner declared he had made surveys and he was for it on the ground that water from the John Day to lands much money in the state and would under the extension and also to wa- not interfere with the rights of older ter some 10,000 acres in northern settlers. government will take up his scheme it taking up of the move for the extenwill afford a happy solution to the present controversy. He said the work could be done for the four milons requested for the Umatilla extension and that it would leave the other parties,

DR. H. W. COE

Dr. Henry Waldo Coe of Portland ared there is not sufficient water in ject to be adopted, the Umatilla river for the proposed extension. In support of that contention he quoted the state engineer howing the min mum flow of the river to be 219,000 acre feet. Setting forth what he declared to be the amount of water now consumed on the and attorney of Echo. to present users,

on the Umatilla meadows from their ever, along with his entertaining reed with much sarcasm to the reclaletests many of those in the service L. Scholl, though applauding the qualities of the and under the Umatilla project,

In reply to the star argument of the Hermistonians that he is behind the Andrew C Smith filing upon flood waters of the river, Dr. Coe de lared the filling was made in the betef it was of value. Subsequently

is such that the fling is of little use and he declares he has given it no attention. His denial brought forth cornful laughter from the Hermiston enthusiasts in the gallery.

Would Relinquish Right.

Today Dr. Coe made a star reply to the star charge against him by filing the following proposition with the Pendleton Commercial club.

Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 13, 1911. Pendleton Commercial Club, Pendle-

ton, Oregon; Gentlemen-Having determined, as

we believed from accurate information and upon reliable advice that there was insufficient water to make our filing for the reservoir site near Butter creek of value and having done no work thereon, we had assumed until the discussion last evening that our rights under our filings had lapsed.

After hearing the discussion in which the very great value of these fillings were described we feel that they are likely of, sufficient value that they should be preserved, al-though we have personally no intention or desire to maintain our interest

therein. Permit me therefore to ask your body to become trustee for these water rights for the benefit of every water user on the river. If therefore you will draw the necessary papers my associates and I will execute the transfer the Andrew C. Smith filing same to the benefit of the actual terms that the filing the transfer and farmer for whom

you will be trustee, We will make no charge whatever for these rights but will turn them State Senator J. N. Burgess was the over absolutely free. This includes who are opposing the carrying out of Smith filing," prepared for us by Mr. Umatilia extension by the gov- Hobson, engineer for the reclamation

> Yours very truly, HENRY W. COE.

LOUIS SCHOLL JR.

Louis Scholl, Jr., of Echo, made one of the most emphatic and direct talks Judge Mar ner, of B alock Gilliam in behalf of those who are opposing ounty, spoke briefly in behalf of a the extension and he presented the schame to reclaim the lands under the matter from the standpoint of Echo

In opening his remarks Mr. Scholl

Developments subsequent to the sion forced him to change his mind regarding the merits of the move. His chief criticism of the extension was made on the ground that it means the taking of water that should justly go to other settlers above the mouth of Butter creek. He also set forth the argument that the destruction of 4000 acres of land upon the mendows will make the extension an thiury rather than a benefit to Umatilla county.

Mr. Scholl's address consisted largend Stanfield, came to the front last by in reading a letter he had written night as the leading spirit among Senator Chamberlain and in which he hose who are working against the set forth at length the objections to extension. He did not have a set the extension and upheld the John paper, but speaking off hand he de- Day project as being the proper pro-

L. A. ESTEB

L. A. Esteb, well known resident Umatilla and other projects he against the extension from an Echo ought to show that it is physically standpoint. His remarks were in a mpossible for the government to car- humorous vein and paid his respects ry out the extension without injury to Hermiston workers, among them Col H. G. Newport and W. H. Skin-Dr. Coe also dwelt elequently up- ner. He likewise grilled the Oregon on the rights of old settlers to water Journal; referred to Oliver P. Morton for their farms and declared that the as the Devil and took a fling at the homes in order to obtain land for res- marks. Mr. Esteb also interspersed ervoir purposes. He frequently refer- many of the arguments against the extension and used some of the same mation service and declared that he statements as his fellow townsman,

FRANK SLOAN

Frank Sloan of Stanfield, was the hast representative of the west end to