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## PENDLETON COMMERCIAL CLUB ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSES PROPOSED WEST UMATILLA EXTENSION

Urges Expenditure of Reclamation Funds in Oregon and Full Protection of Water Rights of Upper River Users

Belief is Now. That Satisfactory Solution Has Been Found For Eastern Oregon's Most TWO LABOR LEADERS Bitter and Historic Controversy--- Dr. Coe's Offer of Second Filing is Not Accepted By Organization as Effect Would Be Unchanged

The President Notified,

Following the adjournment of the Commercial club meeting last night copies of the resolutions adopted, signed by Presitions adopted, signed by Presi-dent Smythe and Secretary Keefe, were wired to President . Taft. As representative of the . Port and Commercial club, C . C. Chapman wired the resolutions to the secretary of the interior, the Oregon delegation . and to J. N. Teal at Washing- .

With a deafening roar of "ayes" the members of the Pendleton Commercial club made known their sentiments regarding the West Umatilla extendion at a special meeting last night and there was but one solitary vote cast against the endorsement of the extension and against two other resolutions that were presented, one calling for the expenditure of federal reclamation funds in Oregon and the other upholding the rights and welfare of the waterusers of the upper Umatilla and tributary streams,

It was a decisive ending of a controversy that will go into the history of eastern Oregon. It came at 10 o'clock last evening after the club members had listened in patience to able discussion of the resolution and of an additional resolution that was

submitted but was rejected,

The Members Were There, Members of the Commercial club merely that his resolution be added to | and welfare of upper river wadid not shun their duty last evening but turned out almost en masse to participate in the meeting. When the special session was called to order at s o'clock by President Smythe the club quarters were packed and every seat was taken, this despite the fact that benches had been brought in from the gallery of the gymnasium.

Three Resolutions. Immediately after the meeting had been called to order E. B. Aldrich gained the floor and presented three resolutions. He asked that they be read and in explanation said they had been drafted by a group of men who favored the west extension and who also favored protecting the welfare of the settlers of the upper river.

After the three resolutions had been read by Secretary Jack Keefe, Roscoe R. Johnson moved the adoption of the same and took up the fight on the floor. In a brief but able argument he set forth that the resolutions furnished a proper solution of the question before it. He repeated some of his arguments of the night before in favor of the extension and of government irrigation in preference to irrigation by private enterprise.

Discu sing the first resolution, favoring the granting to Oregon of reclamation money to which the state is justly entitled, he declared that Oregon's hope of securing reclamation money rests upon the fate of the extension. He pointed out that the state

#### 1ST BASKETBALL **GAME FRIDAY NIGHT**

The basketball season will open with a rush in Pendleton Friday night when the high school will hold two inter-class games. The seniors will meet the juniors, and the sophomores will clash with the freshmen. There is much rivalry between the teams and the games will be stubbornly contested,

The senior five will be composed of Chapman, Strain, Houser, Hampton and Fee. Their junior opponents will be composed of some old timers, in-cluding "Spider" McDonald, "Clatawa" Thompson, "Bull" Jordan, "Deacon" Finnell and "Sturdy" Sturdivant,

Among the sophomores and freshmen who will appear on the floor are A. Ferguson, Brock, Hamley, Krebbs Dorsey, Hock Rugg, Russell, O. Ferguson, Krkpatrick. The games will be played in the high school gymnasium and will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

Pro pects for a good team are bright and under the coaching of storm of ayes resounded and but one Jack Keefe, the school hopes to have a championship quintet. Active training will begin Monday, when a large number of candidates will be out to try for positions on the team.

should unite in support of the pro- | • • ject and explained the weakness of a congressional delegation when its home people are in controversy as to

what should be done. Protection for Settlers.

Protection for Settlers.

The third resolution, contended Mr.

John on, embodied everything that could possibly be done by Pendleton people towards protecting the rights of the settlers of the upper river. He showed that the resolution calls for allowing settlers on the upper river to water their lands and asks the government to reassure them in their rights and to subserve their welfare in carying out its reclamation work. Dr. Coe's Offer,

As to Dr. Coe's offer to transfer the Andrew C. Smith filing to the Commercial club for use for the benefit of all the waterusers on the river, Mr. Johnson declared that such a proceeding would constitute an abandonment of the filing and would atlow any person who desired to do so to make the same identical filing egain and thus bottle up the waters of the river just as if the Smith filing had been continued. The speaker declared his belief that other lawyers would uphold him in this view and none of the attorneys present had anything to say in dissent

Steiwer Had Substitute. At the conclusion of R. R. Johnon's discussion, Frederick Stelwer • the extension, said he had prepared a resolution which he would introduce for adop- • endorsement of west extension, • tion in the event the other resolutions asks that more reclamation • were defeated. Later he changed his course to the extent that he asked • and urges protection of rights • those already submitted.

nose already submitted.

Though longer than the other resolutions submitted the Steiwer resolution differed from them mainly in that his resolution denounced the gov- hundred and nine other commercial dorsement of the extension.

along the same line as those of Mr. Stelwer, though the city attorney declared himself to be favorable to the west extension.

Johnson Is Champion. The attempt to pass the Stelwer resolution as an addition to those or- by the United States reclamation seriginally introduced brought R. R. defense of the government's action, ist'ng projects of the government. We ternoon sessions great progress is be-In detail Mr. Johnson told of the conditions prior to the passage of the funds which may be allotted by the Oregon water code and of the status of affairs since that time. He upheld the adjudication of water rights and future, and that this is the only recinsisted the government had acted properly in bringing the Umatilla suits. He argued that because the complaint states that 2.5 acre feet is sufficient for local needs it does not follow the courts w'll adopt that amount of water as a standard.

To have the adjudication suits dismissed would be merely to return to chaos and force private users to bring auch suits.

For over an hour the Stelwer amendment was warmly debated with Messrs, Stelwer and Raley supporting it and Mr. Johnson opposing. J. P. Winter also dipped into the fray at critical times and C. H. Carter once rose to ask of Mr. Steiwer what member of the water board was charged with dishonesty. In reply Stewer disclaimed it's purpose of assailing any member of the board.

Amendment Rejected. When the long debate had been conluded, President Smythe announced that a written ballot would be taken upon the adoption of the amendment. Sam R. Thompson and G. I. Ladow were named as teliers and the vote faith in the west extension of the was taken. The amendment lost by a Umatilla project and recommends and vote of 44 to 26, there being but 70 urges its early approval by the presmembers present when the ballot was taken owing to the fact that many

After the Steiwer amendment had been voted down, J. R. Raley moved nounced at an early date so as to disthat a vive voce vote be taken upon the three resolutions then upon the decision is favorable that the governtable. When the vote was taken a ment make prompt and adequate payman, James Johns, voted in the nega-

had left feeling that the fight for the

extension had been won and that the

For Reclamation Money, We unqualifiedly and unre erredly go on record in joining with the one

Pendleton Commercial club took up fight for west exten ion two years ago, at request of west end people,

Support of Portland influences secured through agency of local committee. Vigorous fight made by entire state for building of ex-

tension project by the government. Opposition to extension shown by people of Stanfield and in •

vicinity. Upper river water users induced to join forces with Stanfield folk in opposing extension. Question brought before Pen- •

dicton Commercial club Tues- • day, December 5, when club • was asked to reverse itself and opnose project. Tuesday, December 12 set as • hearing arguments + date for

from all sides relative to merits . of the extension, Meeting at Oregon theater • December 12 addressed by able • speakers representing all fac-

tions in controversy. Special meeting of Pendle. • • ton Commercial club last eve- • • ning to take action regarding •

Commercial elub reaffirms •

ernment severe'y for the adjudication organizations of this state, members suits and demanded that they be of the Oregon Development League, abandoned. In upholding his resolu- in the appeal made to the United on Steiwer declared himself against States government for justice to Orewest extension but said he would gon in the allotment of reclamation not oppose it, confining his efforts to funds, to the end that something like his resolution, which contained an en- a fair proportion of the fees collected from this state be expended with-J. Roy Raley also came to the sup- in its borders for irrigation and deport of the Steiwer amendment and velopment on any of the numerous presented in its behalf arguments fearible and meritorious projects available in Oregon,

The West Extension, The following is the resolution en-

dorsing the west extension: irr gation project has been approved for his departure started today. are informed there are and will be ing made, government for the construction of said west extension in the immediate famation work for which funds can be allotted to Oregon.

The Pendleton Commercial association several years ago became the prime mover in a state-wide camcause

At a hearing before this association yesterday, December 13, at his annual address, which large and substantial delegainterested in this project the entire through the forests, clation.

After careful consideration the dent and the secretary of the interfor to the end that actual construction may be initiated in the immediate future and be rapidly carried forfight was over a question of proced- ward to completion. We respectfully urge that the decision relative to the undertaking of this extension be anpel uncertainty, and in the event the lands to be covered by the reservoir or

> Upper River Rights, This is the resolution favoring the

Washington, Dec. 14.-Early ognition by Russia, of Ameri-Jews' rights, for the purher treaty with the United States, is expected as a result of the adoption of Congressman Sulzer's resolution in the house. It is understood that President Taft tipped off the Russian diplomats that he wont sign the resolution until diplomatic negotiations, now progressing with Russia, are concluded.

## WILL BE INDICTED

Frisco Men Said to Be Responsible for Times Explosion

While Authorities Keep Names Secret, They Search for Tvictmore and Johannsen Who Are Still Missing.

Los Angeles, Dec. 14 .- Two indict ments will be returned by the federal N. R. R. at midnight last night. grand jury Saturday, against two prominent labor leaders of San Fran-It is said they were responsible for the order which caused James McNamara to dynamite the Times. Two other San Francisco laborites

are likely to be indicted also. in the hands of the United States marshal and bench warrants for their arrests will be issued Saturday.

District Attorney Ford announced that the arrests of Caplan and boiler. Schmidtz, for complicity in the Times explosion will be only a matter of ally does, it went forward, throwing and fireman, but this time it went the

Sill Seek Leaders.

San Francisco, Dec. 14 .- It is believed that Olaf Tviemoe, secretary of the San Francisco Building Trade council and Antone Johannsen, his companion, who have been missing two weeks will soon be found by federal authorities who want them to testify before the federal grand tury at Los Angeles. It is expected that Johannsen will appear as his little aughter, Loretta, died suddenly their home at Corte Middera. Tyletmoe's attorneys say he'll be here

Indianapolis Probe Begins,

Indianapolis, Dec. 14.—Secret investigations by a United States grand jury began here today, of the dynamiting plots, in which the McNamaras participated. None except government employes were allowed to approach within three hundred feet of the jury room. Detective Burns will be among the first witnesses called.

McManigal Goes to Indianapolis. Los Angeles, Dec. 14.-Under heavy guard Ortic McManigal, star government witness will likely leave here for Indianapolis Monday. A request that he be sent as soon as possible has The west extension of the Umatilla been received here and preparations

Although the federal grand vice and is one of the most attractive, probing the California end of the dy-

#### **GOODING RAPS FREE** WOOL AND PINCHOT

Omaha, Dec. 14.-Declaring the paign for the completion of the Uma- Pinchot conservation policy is sensetilla project, including the west ex- le-s, erratic and ruinous to the sheep tension and continuously since has and wool industry. President Gooding been the champion of this great of the National Wool Growers' association, in convention here, criticized the former chief forester in

He declared Pinchet did his best to tions were present representing Pi- ruln the sheep and wool industry of lot Rock, McKay and Birch creeks, the west by his conservation policies the Umat lia Indian reservation. Echo, and charged that these policies were Stanfield, Hermiston, Umatilla, Irri-gon, Heppner, Bialock, Arlington, Idaho forest fires which he said Portland and other towns, districts and interests directly and indirectly sheep and cattle been allowed to graze

tion recently placed before the asso- measure would kill the wool industry of the United States.

Pendleton association reaffirms its the Upper Umatilia and tributary per means of obliterating sectional streams.

At the hearing before the Pendleton Commercial association relative to the endorsement of the west exension of ta. Umail 'a project there was expressed a fear of damage and possible rum of reputable pioneer residents of Umat'lla county possessing vested rights in waters of the Umatilla river and its tributaries above the site of the proposed reservoir for the west extension; many of these settlers apprehended that they were to be deprived of their rights, ment to settlers and land owners for and fruits of the labors during long years of struggle in making homes damaged by virtue of its construct in this region. We feel that such feet high the tallest building in the opposition as developed in the west

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# IN LOCOMOTIVE EXPLOSION

Kamela Hill Scene of Midnight Railroad Disaster in Which O.-W. R. & N. Freight is Wrecked

### HELPER ENGINE IS HURLED THROUGH CABOOSE

Nebraska Stockman's Death Instantaneous, La Grande Conductor Cannot Survive, Brakeman Dangerously and Fireman Slightly Injured.

W. D. McKinley, a stockman of boose when the explosion came and ductor B. T. Hancock was fatally inof freight engine No. 382 at Glover on the Kamela hill of the O.-W. R. &

The wreck occurred as freight train Extra No. 55 westbound was climbing the steep hill. Engine No. 507 and 515, with Engineers Brown and Parker and Firemen Forester and Culbertson, were hauling the heavy pieces of metal and timber. train up the grade. The wrecked en-The names of the men are already gine was acting as a helper and was dent is the escape of Engineer Chandattached to the rear of the train.

> down, causing an explosion of the explosion going backwards as it usumuch of the engine into the rear end The caboose was totally wrecked, more than half of the ar being blown into small pieces. Mr. McKinley was asleep in the ca-

J. HASE DROPS DEAD IN ST. GEORGE HOTEL LOBBY

Superintendent of Coe Reservoir Suddenly Succumbs to Heart Disease-Search for Relatives.

Coe reservoir due to the sudden death and it is believed that he is also sufin the Hotel St. George lobby last fering from internal inuries. night of John Hase. At 7:30 he walked to a chair, sat down, sudden- Grande and the injured men were departed. Death was due to heart afford. They were taken to the hosfallure.

Mr. Hase came to Pendleton two days ago and consulted Dr. R. E. Ringo about his heart and was informed that that organ was extremely weak. Treatment was prescribed for him but it came too late, for within a few hours he lay dead from the cause of the track. Traffic was delayed until which he had been warned,

Mr. Hase has been with the Furnish Ditch company for the past two years, having first been sent over by the having first been sent over by the reclamation service at North Yakima mit, when the engine exploded. Only to act as inspector while the Coe the engine and caboose were wreck-Johnson to the floor and a vigorous desirable and beneficent of all the ex- namiting cases are holding only af- dam was being constructed. At the was retained as superintendent of the to a nearby siding, dam and reservoir, which position he held at the time of his death,

His death is felt deeply by the Furhis death is felt deeply by the Fur-nish company as he had proved an extremely valuable man to it. Marshall, general manager of the company, stated this morning that Superintendent Hase was the most efficient, practical and resourceful man which the company has ever had in its employ and that his position would be a hard one to fill.

effort is being made to locate a sister man is being held at the Folsom un- reason why. dertaking partors.

WOULD PENSION LOST

Washington, Dec. 14.-Senator John D. Works of Colifornia, in the senate subject was again considered, so as to pass upon new phases of this ques- the tariff, asserting that a free wool to a considered to pass upon new phases of this ques- the tariff, asserting that a free wool the constant to Civil year research. the government to Civil war veterans and recommended that both Union rights and welfare of the settlers on for. This, he said, would be the prolines and make good will, between the North and South permanent,

Delhi Doomed.

Gibraliar, Dec. 14.—Tugs are trying to reach the wrecked steamer Delhi which has mai's and \$1 000,000. mostly in bullion, aboard. The gale is yet raging and it is feared the ship will go to pieces,

Accept Panama Tower Plans. 14.—Plans San Francisco, Dec. were accepted today for the memo- ported. The Americans were unhurt. rial tower of the Panama Pacific ex-position of 1915, which will be \$50 world except the Paris Elifel tower.

Sebraska, was instantly killed, Con- his body was blown out of the car and about 20 feet up onto the bank. jured and Brakeman Perrine received and about 20 feet up onto the bank. Injuries from which he will probably the body was badly mangled and indications are that he never know die as the result of the blowing up indications are that he never knew what killed him. The bedding on which he was resting was sent about 100 feet into the air and was found on top of the telegraph wires. Trees for a distance of 200 yards showed the effect of the explosion, branches on the nearest ones being broken and shattered by the flying

One of the peculiarities of the acciler, who was on the wrecked engine, The accident occurred when the without a scratch. Fireman Sparks crown sheet of the rear engine fell was burned by the fire from the furnace, but was not seriously injured Instead of the force of the Such explosions usually throw their force backward, catching the engineer opposite way, wrecking the caboos Conductor Hancock was so badly injured that it is not thought possible that he could live through the day.

was immediately taken Grande where medical attention was given him. At the time of the exlosion he was making out his report, dtting at his desk. His lungs were erforated by his ribs and the top of his head blown off, either injury being sufficient to cause death. He resides in La Grande, where he has a

It is also feared that Brakeman Perrine will die, as he was badly hert although it is impossible to tell the The Furnish Ditch company is to- extent of his injuries. His hands, face day without a superintendent at its and back were injured and bruised.

A special was sent out from Laly stiffened and the spark of life had given all relief that medicine could pital where their wounds were dressed and where they now are

The force of the explosion was so great that the entire engine was lifted from the rails and thrown from the track, making it necessary for the wrecking crew to be called to clear noon today.

The train was making its way up the steep hill and had reached Glover, conclusion of that piece of work, he able to haul the rest of the train on-

## FOR WALKING RECORD

"Ramrod Bob," aspirant for honors is the champion fast walker of the northwest, leaves Pendleton tomorrow His former associates in the rec- morning for Spokane and return. He amation service at North Yakima goes afoot with a heavy walking stick have been notified of his death and an and a 20 cent box of crackers as his only equipment. He will spend two in Indiana. Pending the result of days in Spokane and return to Penthese queries, the body of the dead dicton by December 30 or knew the

According to "Ramrod Bob," who by the way says he will tell his real name when he returns, says he will CAUSE VETERANS ALSO walk 10 hours each day. He has a little money with him and expects to be able to pay his way so as not to be delayed through the necessity of

"Ramrod Bob" has promised to write the East Oregonian each day and Confederate veterans be cared he is enroute to Spekane telling of his

Jack Changes Mind.

Liverpool, Dec. 14 -After announcng broadcast his intention of sailing, Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight, suddenly changed his plans and hurried to Paris where he is negotiating to reenter the fight game.

Scouts Kill 42 Outlaws,

Lanao, Mindina, P. I. Dec. 14.News of the death of forty-two more outlaws in a battle with a detachment of American scouts has been re-

Deposed Sultan Dying,

Berlin, Dec. 14 -- Abdul Hamld, deposed Turkish sultan, is reported crit-The structure will be permanent and leady ill at Constantinople with little revert to the city after the exposition. hope for recovery,