

M'KAY PROJECT IS ENDORSED BY RECLAMATION SERVICE

U. S. BUDGET OF 1920 INCLUDES \$350,000 FUNDS

H. M. Schilling, Engineer, Receives Word of Favorable Action Which Promises Aid Without Congressional Move

SUM IS CLASSED WITH NEEDS OF UMATILLA

E. P. Dodd Instrumental in Securing Recognition of Enterprise Through Recent Journey to National Capital.

(East Oregonian Special.)
Pendleton, Oregon, Jan. 24.—News that the McKay reservoir project has been included in the 1920 budget of the United States reclamation service has been received by H. M. Schilling, project engineer on the Umatilla project. The news has been received with great interest here as it indicates a splendid chance for the success of the project without any direct congressional action.

The reclamation service has recommended \$350,000 for the purchase of reservoir site lands and for the beginning of work on the reservoir. The total cost of the project has been estimated at two millions.

To Store Water.
The McKay reservoir proposal calls for making a reservoir on McKay creek for the purpose of storing water for irrigation of lands on the various projects in the west end of Umatilla county. It would provide a large amount of additional storage water and would result in much development in the west end.

Dodd to Washington.
Last year E. P. Dodd of Hermiston made a trip to Washington in the interests of the project. He made the trip as the result of the joint efforts of a west end organization and of a committee representing the Pendleton Commercial Association, the commercial association matching the money raised in the west end of the county. J. R. Raley is chairman of the Pendleton committee.

TWO ECHO TEAMS, ONE FROM HERMISTON WIN HIGH SCHOOL DEBATES

Echo high school won the debate last night in a contest with Stanfield high school at Stanfield.
Jack Stanfield and Homer Copping, of Echo, representing the negative, and James Hazen and Miss Mabel Miller, of Stanfield, representing the affirmative, debated the question, "Resolved, that the federal government should take immediate steps toward the nationalization of the nation's coal deposits and petroleum resources."

Judges for the debate were Melvin Slane, principal of the Boardman high school, Miss Elsie Williamson, of the East Oregonian staff, and E. H. Anderson, principal of the Irion high school. A unanimous decision was given.

The debate was one of a series of triangular debates held last night. Stanfield's negative team, consisting of Ed Hancy and Jay McCoy, were victors over the Hermiston affirmative team at the debate in Hermiston last night, while Echo's affirmative team, consisting of Vernon Davis and Margaret Hills, won over the Hermiston negative team at Echo last night. Stanfield's negative team and Echo's affirmative team will meet at the next debate.

The question debated is the one decided upon for all the high schools in the debate league of the district. The final debate of the Oregon debate series, which is under the management of the University of Oregon, will be held in Eugene on the college campus during Junior Week-end. Eastern Oregon is making every effort to land the championship, say high school principals of this region.

Y. W. WORKER COMES FROM FRENCH FIELDS

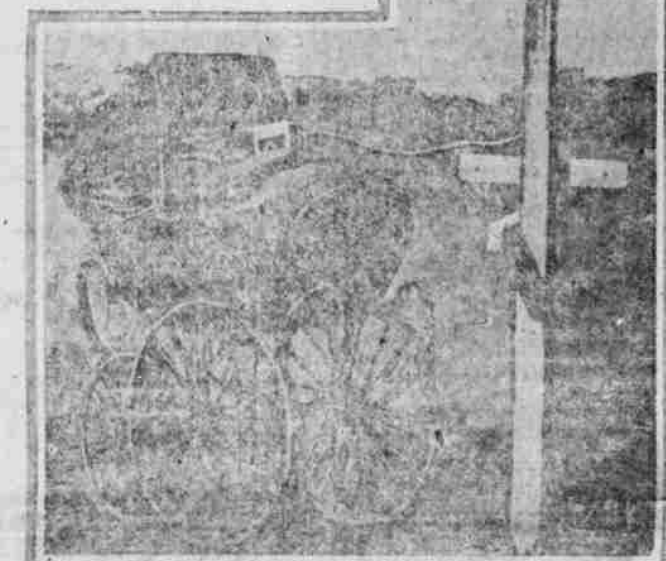
Dr. Estelle Ford Warner, who will speak in Pendleton tomorrow, now service in the Y. W. C. A. and her husband lost his life while fighting in France. Dr. Warner is planning to go to Turkey to engage in Y. W. C. A. work when her visit in the United States is completed.

Dr. Warner will speak tomorrow morning at 11 at the Christian church on 11th and will be accompanied by Miss Margaret Taylor, state chairman for business and professional women.

EARTH 'ROUND ABOUT SEATTLE DOES SHIMMY THREE TIMES--BRICK WALLS CRACK AND EVEN WINDOWS RATTLE IN PANE--REALLY SHOCKING

NEW DEVICES LIGHTEN WEE KIDDIES' WORRIES

No longer is it necessary to keep a constant eye on baby while he takes his nap. An ingenious father who lives on the island of Guernsey has solved the problem for his wife. A telephone transmitter is placed in the baby carriage near the infant's head. The mother goes about her household duties while the baby takes his snooze out of doors. When he wakes and cries mother hears and hurries to him.



The barber shop will no longer be a thing of terror to the kiddies if the plan inaugurated by a New York department store is generally adopted. This plan has opened carousels-innocent parlors, entering to children only. Instead of being seated in his stiff, leather-cushioned chairs the youngsters mount easily uprisen hobby horses and interest themselves in bridle, stirrups and trappings until the haircutting is completed. There is another advantage. While her little son is being properly shorn mother can go serenely about her shopping and call for him when she has finished.

UMATILLA RED CROSS AIDING HEALTH CALLS ASKS ASSISTANTS, GARMENTS FOR LITTLE FOLK

Call for volunteers to aid in any way in the present influenza epidemic situation in Pendleton is issued today by the Umatilla Red Cross office, which is flooded with requests for nurses and other assistants. Anyone who wishes to aid is asked to telephone 459.
Another request from the Red Cross office today is for clothing for girls between the ages of two and 10 years. This request is very urgent, says Miss Virginia Todd, secretary.
The Red Cross advises that anyone who feels influenza should rest plenty of food and sleep, and take nourishing food but not overeat. Crowds are to be avoided, as are those who cough, sneeze or spit, or who suffer from colds.
Avoid Common Towels.
Common towels, drinking cups, soap or anything handled by others in public places should be avoided, says the Red Cross, and it is recommended that the hands be washed before each meal. If you feel sick or "catch a cold," go to bed at once and avoid doctor, says the Red Cross directions.
Among the influenza precautions which says to avoid dust in the room, sputum should be carefully disposed of as should scraps of uneaten food and mouth swabs. All handkerchiefs, linens, sheets, masks, towels and dishes used in the sick room should be boiled.
Children of fine constitution should be used liberally as a disinfectant, warns the Red Cross. The following is the recipe issued today: Mix thoroughly 1-2 pound of chloride of lime with 1 gallon of water. Use twice as much of this solution as the material to be disinfected. Allow to stand 1 hour before emptying.
Keep Family Out.
If you are not sick, keep away from the sickroom, advise the directions. Also, keep your hands away from your face. Attendants are advised to be constantly masked with a gauze mask and should wear a big all-over apron that the hands be washed before each meal. If you feel sick or "catch a cold," go to bed at once and avoid doctor, says the Red Cross directions.

DAYBREAK FINDS GROUND CLAD IN SNOWY GARMENT

Felt in Bellingham, Bellingham, B. C. are Visited.

SHAKING IS PROLONGED FOR MINUTE AND HALF

Dominion Observatory Chief Says Disturbance Center in Strait of Juan de Fuca or Strait of Georgia.

SEATTLE, Jan. 24.—The earth did a shimmy hereabouts last night, three different times. "It was shocking," late stayers-up reported, "even the windows rattled in pain."

As if to hide her iniquity the earth appeared at daybreak clad in a garment of pure white. The snow began falling at 3.

Shocks were felt in Bellingham, where a few brick walls cracked and windows were shattered. Vancouver, B. C., reports shaking which continued a minute and a half. Victoria felt it for five seconds.

According to F. Napier Denison, chief observer of the Dominion observatory in Victoria, the center of disturbance is in the Strait of Juan de Fuca or the Strait of Georgia.

PASSENGERS LAND BUT HAWSER BREAKS AND SHIP IS NOW ADRIFT

HALIFAX, Jan. 24.—A wireless message from the steamer Powhatan said today that the hawser by which she was being towed into Halifax by the steamer Lady Laurier had parted and that the Powhatan is now adrift.

Passengers Land.
NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The transport N. Pacific, carrying General Connor, remnants of the A. E. F. from France and 271 passengers from the disabled transport Powhatan, arrived off quarantine early today and the passengers have been landed.

OLD ASSOCIATION GYM TO HOUSE "Y" ATHLETICS

The old Commercial Association gymnasium has been secured for a Y. M. C. A. gymnasium and will be put in shape immediately so that athletics may be scheduled for the city organization, according to announcement made today by committees.

The tentative plans of the athletic committee of the Y. M. C. A. include three leagues, juniors, intermediates and seniors. The younger leagues will play indoor baseball, while the seniors are figuring on some fast games of basketball.

Membership in the Y. M. C. A. may be had by any boy or man of Pendleton. Tickets of membership will cost 25 cents a year and membership cards will be issued which will also serve as tickets of admission as spectators at scheduled games.

The Sunday schools of the city will constitute the units in the indoor athletic league proposed. Any Sunday school in the city is eligible to membership and may enter teams in any or all of the three leagues. It is expected that the various Sunday schools will begin at once to feel the effect being introduced in increased attendance and interest. Great care is being taken to eliminate the "free" and to insure participation of only bona fide members of schools whose attendance is regular.

The high school gymnasium, which was formerly used, has been abandoned by the Y. M. C. A. because it was impossible to secure it for an adequate length of time.

JURY DELIBERATING IN CASE OF SPOKANE I. W. W. IS STILL OUT

SPOKANE, Jan. 23.—The jury in the case of 23 alleged I. W. W. charged with criminal syndicalism is still out. They have been deliberating since 5:30 yesterday.
John Grady, local secretary of the I. W. W. when asked last yesterday: "You're attempting to take over the railroad, aren't you?" said: "Why, we're going to take over the world."

ONE CAUCASIAN PROVES UNDOING OF ETHIOPIANS AND GENUS AMERICANUS

One Caucasian proved the undoing of two Ethiopians and three Americans at 1 o'clock this afternoon and as a result Louis Johnson and Chester Perry, colored, occupy one cell in the city jail and Ti Carney, Charles Bayonet and George Washington, Indians, another. Chief of Police Roberts arrested the quintet in a house on Garden street for playing blackjack at five cents a point.

Several decks of cards, a quantity of poker chips, about \$2 in money and other paraphernalia for gaming were confiscated. Three cord tires of 33 by 5 size were also taken to police headquarters for investigation. A sack containing a number of empty bottles was among the loot and the bottles will also be looked into.

SKEPTICISM SHOWN OVER PROPOSAL FOR CO-OPERATIVE PLAN

San Francisco Man Advocates Wheatgrowers Co-operative Selling Association Similar to Fruit Plan.

Urging the formation of a farmers cooperative marketing association for the selling of wheat, Aaron Sapiro, an attorney of San Francisco, addressed a meeting at the county library this forenoon. Among those present were Walter M. Pierce of Union county, J. D. Brown, former president of the Farmers Union of this state, A. R. Shumway, president of the Farmers Union, W. W. Harrah, R. O. Egan, Earl, Fred Benson, county agent, H. B. Davidson of Joseph, Dr. C. J. Whitaker, N. D. Atkinson of Walsburg, J. F. Lannier of the Oregon Journal and others. The attendance by local farmers was small.

The plan of Mr. Sapiro calls, in brief for an organization that must include at least 25 per cent of the wheat area of a given section. The farmers must sign up for a six year period and agree absolutely to allow the organization to market their wheat for them.

The speaker told of the success of the cooperative marketing plan by various fruit and produce growers in California and urged that the same plan be tried with reference to wheat. Questions asked of the speaker during the forenoon indicated skepticism on the part of some present and also a possibility of antagonism between the new move and the Tri State Terminal Co. in which some local people are interested.

It is reported that the Sapiro endeavors are financed through a subscription raised in an Eastern Washington town and that A. A. Elmore, formerly connected with the Tri State Terminal Co. is the prime mover in the affair. Mr. Elmore was not here today.

As outlined by Mr. Sapiro the state organization would be directed by a board of 15 men, 14 representing the growers and one the public. The directors would be chosen through primary and general elections. Umatilla county being allowed three directors. The state directors of Oregon, Washington and Idaho would meet and employ 35 men to carry out the marketing work. One proposed benefit outlined by the speaker would be the securing of cheaper money for crop moving purposes through use of the reserve bank system.

WILSON NOT PLANNING REST, SECRETARY SAYS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Secretary Tumulty denied today the widely circulated report that President Wilson will leave soon for Virginia, later going to California for a long rest. He said there is "not a word of truth in it."

When asked whether the president is considering taking a trip, even if definite plans are not made, Secretary Tumulty said: "I haven't heard anything about it."

Small Daughter Arrives.
Mr. and Mrs. George Mason, of 129 Beauregard street, are being felicitated upon the arrival of a seven-pound daughter on January 21, at St. Anthony's hospital. The little miss has been named Esther. Mr. Mason is employed at the W. J. Clarke hardware store.

TRAINS CRASH: FLAMES, STEAM AND FLYING STEEL DEAL DEATH TO THREE IN UTAH WRECKAGE

Freight and Work Trains Hurlled in Rear-End Collision on Denver-Rio Grande at Midvale, and Brakeman, Trapped in Caboose, Dies Out of Rescuers' Reach.

"30" DAYS KNOCKS SOME SPEECHLESS BUT SPEECH NICKED HIM FOR 30 DAYS

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—George Gilson can be a deaf mute when it's handy but when it complicates police court proceedings he'd rather use "English." While posing as a deaf mute he got 30 days today when he blurted out in court "Oh hell."

MEN AND TEAMS AGAIN TAKE UP ROAD BUILDING IN EAST END SECTION

Crews Get Busy on Macadam From Milton to Power Plant With Work Resumed Near Freewater and Weston.

Road work in the east end of Umatilla county was resumed at a number of points this week and uninterrupted progress is expected, with prospects for fair weather continuing good. Forty men and 20 teams went to work on Wednesday on the Walla Walla river to begin construction of the macadam road from Milton to the power plant. This road was authorized by the county court last fall but could not be begun until the weather improved.

Two road crews also started work on the finishing touches of the stretch between Freewater and the state line. One of these crews is engaged in drainage work along the new hard surfaced road near Ferndale while the other is doing shoulder work near Colby crossing. The county is also putting in a drainage ditch in south Milton to prevent damage to the hard surfaced road similar to that caused by the flood the week before Christmas.

Between 25 and 30 men are also grading for the highway just east of Weston where there is a relocation of the right-of-way. They are now at work on the Wiley place.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES NATION OVER KEEP PACE WITH DISEASE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Surgeon General Blue of the United States public health service today warned the country not to become complacent as the influenza situation despite the increased number of cases. Nowhere, he said, are there any indications that the disease is beyond the ability of local authorities to fight it.

WHITE MEN COUNTING SAN FRANCISCO JAPS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—With all the Japanese census enumerators suspended the census count of Japanese residing here is continuing today with reduced energy. Although it was believed that there are 10,000 Japanese here the first count disclosed that there are less than 2000. An investigation of charges that the Japanese purposely avoided the census is being started.

NO REQUEST FOR KAISER WILL BE CONSIDERED BY GERMANY SAYS GAZETTE

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—Germany will decline any request that she urge Holland to extradite the former kaiser, the Berlin Gazette said today. Germany, newspapers pointed out, did not promise under the peace treaty to follow any such course.

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SALT LAKE, Jan. 24.—Three men are dead and several are injured today as a result of a rear-end collision of freight and work trains on the Denver & Rio Grande line at Midvale, Utah, last night. The wreckage caught fire from an overturned engine.

Clifford Hoagland, brakeman, was burned to death in plain view of would be rescuers when he was caught in a wrecked caboose. Henry Spencer, head brakeman, was scalded to death and C. P. Johnson, engineer, was crushed to death under a carload of steel rods, which were carried over the engine by the shock of the collision.

INCOME TAX RETURNS COMING IN RAPIDLY

Income tax returns are coming in rapidly from Umatilla county taxpayers, says W. D. Chamberlain, deputy collector of internal revenue. J. J. Wilkinson arrived today from Portland to assist Mr. Chamberlain in the county to the various towns in the county to assist taxpayers in making out returns.

Statements received at the office with regard to exemptions show that unmarried men and women who are breadwinners for others are granted special exemptions from their earnings before figuring the income tax.

The rules say also that although a return must be filed by every unmarried person and every married person living apart from wife or husband, who had a net income of \$1,500 or more during 1919, recognition is made in the law of the home burdens carried by such persons and relief from excessive taxation is provided.

Heads of Families Exempted.
In addition to the ordinary personal exemption of \$1,000 an additional exemption of \$1,000 is granted to "heads of families" and there is also provided an exemption of \$200 for each dependent under 18 years of age or who is mentally or physically defective.

The \$200 may be claimed by any taxpayer who is the chief support of such dependent. This is not confined to dependents who are members of the family or relatives. It does not include servants or others who are earning their living. And it does not apply to the wife or husband of the married taxpayer, even though such persons may have become a total burden.

Must Qualify as Head.

The person who claims exemption as "head of a family" must qualify for it, say the rules. Two single persons who divide their home, more or less equally, the financial and other responsibilities of a household cannot claim that either one is the head of the family. But if a single person actually assumes the total responsibilities of the household and is supported by having one of his brothers or sisters support himself and contributing an amount that could not practically be considered more than his board, such circumstances will not be allowed to interfere with his clear claim for exemption, say tax officials.

NITTI IN ACCORD WITH FRANCE AND ENGLAND

ROME, Jan. 24.—Premier Nitti is in complete accord with Clemenceau and Lloyd George in an effort to settle the Adriatic territory dispute between Italy and the Jug-Slavs, according to an official communique today. The statement did not confirm the Paris report that Jug-Slavia had accepted the proposal in the recent allied note to the Belgrade government.

The communique said the following points were decided on at the Paris negotiations:
First, the pact of London is valid and binding and Italy may ask its enforcement at any time. Second, agreement with Jug-Slavia in settlement of the Adriatic dispute is advisable.
Third, agreement between interested nations is essential to prevent opposition by the United States.

