



IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

The Thirteenth National Irrigation Congress in Portland Aug. 21-4, 1905.

The official call for this great congress has been sent out and it is to be hoped that matters may be arranged so that Benton may have a respectable representation present. This is really a matter of great importance and in order to give an idea of its magnitude we quote a part of Chief Engineer Newell's letter to Tom Richardson—the latter is manager of the Portland Commercial Club. The letter in part is as follows:

"In connection with the call for the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, held here August 16 to 19 inclusive, and the National Irrigation Congress, to be held here August 21-24, 1905, I desire to suggest that you extend a cordial invitation to all persons to visit the Irrigation Exhibit of the Reclamation Service. This is located in the Forestry and Irrigation Building, near the main Government Building on the Island. A special building was erected for the joint occupancy of the Forestry Service and the Reclamation Service, and in this are placed models, photographs and other exhibits, showing not merely the intimate relation of forestry and irrigation, but bringing out the magnitude of the work undertaken by the Government in both of these lines. This is the first attempt made by the Government to exhibit its operations under the Reclamation Act of June 17, 1902. In the three years which have elapsed since the passage of this act the Reclamation Service has been organized, consisting of upwards of 400 engineers, assistants and experts in various lines; each man carefully selected through competitive civil service examination. At the same time surveys have been carried on in all parts of the West, and the relative merits of various projects compared. Construction has been pushed forward on the most important of these projects and contracts involving the expenditure of many million dollars have been entered into.

"There is now available in the Reclamation Fund the sum of nearly \$30,000,000. Plans have been made for the expenditure of this amount in fourteen Western States and three Territories. The work is greatly scattered, each project being usually hundreds of miles from any other project, hence great responsibility has been put upon the local engineers in charge. In the three years which have elapsed the great questions of policy have been outlined and works have been designed whose construction will require at least ten years.

"On the Seventeenth of June, the third anniversary of the Reclamation Act, occurred the formal opening of the first Government project constructed under this law, the Truckee-Carson Project, by which 250,000 acres of desert will be brought under ditch. It is expected that on each succeeding anniversary of the Act at least one large project will be completed and lands opened to public settlement and cultivation.

"The undertakings already outlined, while not as expensive as the Panama Canal, involves as great, if not greater, questions of engineering and business judgment. The law requires not merely that irrigation works shall be built, more than this, the country reclaimed must be settled in small tracts and the cost of the work ultimately returned in ten annual installments. There is probably no undertaking in the United States upon which the future of the nation so much depends. The successful execution of the Reclamation Act means not merely creating thousands of homes, but more than

this, it results in upbuilding great home markets for manufactured products and greatly increases the value of all the transportation and other industries of the entire country.

"The exhibit arranged at Portland is intended to bring out some of the great features, and at the same time show in detail how the work is planned and executed. One of the most notable engineers of the Reclamation Service, Mr. Edmund T. Perkins, has been elected to supervise the exhibit. At the time of the holding of the Trans-Mississippi Congress and the National Irrigation Congress in Portland, he will, with various assistants, give personal attention to explaining to the delegates the exhibit and will be prepared to furnish additional facts as to the Reclamation Services and its plans."

The official call for this meeting is as follows and explains all about how many delegates from the various states, counties, cities and societies are entitled to send as representatives:

The Thirteenth National Irrigation Congress is hereby to be called to meet in Portland, Oregon, August 21st to 24th, inclusive, 1905, convening in the Auditorium, Lewis and Clark Exposition Grounds.

All who are interested in developing the great natural resources of the country, extending the habitable area, and increasing the products of the land, insuring greater stability and more prosperous conditions, making occupancy upon the land more attractive, the extension of the internal trade and commerce, and the dissemination of a wider knowledge of the great economic movement which has for its ultimate object the upbuilding of an empire within the borders of a great nation, are invited to attend this Congress.

The organization of the Congress is as follows:

The permanent officers of the Congress, including the Chairman of the Sections.

Members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

Governors of States and Territories.

Embassadors, Ministers and other representatives of foreign nations and colonies.

Members of State and Territorial Irrigation Commissions, and State Commissioners of Agriculture and Horticulture.

Fifteen delegates to be appointed by the Governor of each State and Territory.

Ten delegates to be appointed by the Mayor of each city of more than 25,000 population.

Five delegates to be appointed by the Mayor of each city of less than 25,000 population.

Five delegates to be appointed by the Chairman of the governing board of each county.

Two delegates, each duly accredited by the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, Commercial Club or other commercial body.

Two delegates, each duly accredited by any organized irrigation, agricultural or horticultural society.

Two delegates, each duly accredited by any regularly organized Society of Engineers.

Two delegates, each duly accredited by any agricultural college or college or university having a chair of hydraulic engineering, forestry or other subject relating to the general purpose of the congress.

It is respectfully suggested that in the appointment of delegates, persons should be selected who are sincerely interested in and purpose attending the Congress, and that appointments be made as early as possible.

The work of the congress has been so greatly enlarged through the increased interest in matters pertaining to irrigation, that the

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THOSE RESOLUTIONS.

Matters Resolved at the Good Roads Convention.

Considerable discussion has occurred since the meeting of the National Good Roads Association in this city on the Fourth of July as to the import of the resolutions passed. In order that all may know just what these resolutions are, we hereby submit them:

Be it resolved that we recommend that the Board of Regents of the State Agricultural College of Oregon, located at Corvallis, shall take into consideration the establishment of a thorough department of Engineering which shall comprehend a special course in educating the students how to construct, scientifically, earth, gravel, macadam and oiled roads. We further recommend that the next State Legislature shall make a special appropriation to equip the Agricultural College with sufficient and necessary funds to establish a complete engineering department, that the branches of road, culvert and bridge construction may be thoroughly and successfully taught; be it further

Resolved, That we commend the attention of State, County and City officials to the necessity of utilizing the labor of all able-bodied, defective classes, who are known as tramps and vagrants.

We believe all such unfortunates should not drift at will from county to county and state to state and live in idleness and beggary. We further believe that municipal, county and state laws should be speedily enacted (where such action has not already been taken) to arrest this itinerant class under the vagrancy laws and put them to work upon the public streets and roads. We further recommend that the convicts in the penitentiary should be used in preparing material for road building; and when it seems feasible to the warden and Prison Board the convicts shall be used in constructing roads, thus removing the labor of convicts from the least known competition with free labor. Twelve southern states and some northern states have adopted this method of utilizing convict labor. We find those states are building substantial roads, economically and to great advantage. We especially commend the course of the states of California, Illinois, North and South Carolina, Texas and other states, in using convict labor in preparing material and placing it upon the public highways.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Benton County Good Roads Convention: Your committee on resolutions respectfully submit the following: be it Resolved, That the citizens of Corvallis and community fully appreciate the courtesy and honor conferred on them by the officers of the National Good Roads Association in the selection of this city as the place for holding a National Good Roads Association convention and the able efforts of the officers of the association in presenting the cause of good roads to our people; be it further

Resolved, That this convention extend its hearty thanks to the Commercial Club, the City Council, the Civic Club, the mayor and other citizens of the city and county for arranging for and carrying out the details of this convention; be it further

Resolved, That we heartily thank the railway companies of the west for the assistance they have already given to the good roads movement, and we realize and appreciate their disposition to co-operate with us in the promotion of the cause of good roads upon which we are now entering; be it

Resolved, That the citizens of Corvallis and Benton county represented in this convention fully appreciate the value and importance of good roads to the moral,

educational and material progress of our people; and realize that the time is ripe for the general adoption of a policy of construction of hard roads throughout this county. We endorse the idea of good roads and of the education of the people to the importance of good roads and to the construction of such roads as rapidly as the means of our people will permit; be it further

Resolved, That we believe that any experimental work carried on in this state by practical demonstration will be of primary and substantial value to the improvement of the highways of this state and will consequently enhance the value of all our property, rural and urban alike; be it further

Resolved, That we recommend to the careful attention of the city council of Corvallis, the board of Supervisors of Benton county, and to the highway commissioners, the suggestions made in this convention as to the purchase and use of road machinery in the construction of roads, and the building of bridges and culverts of a more substantial type; be it further

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that the city of Corvallis and Benton county should be represented at the National Good Roads Convention to be held in St. Louis, Mo., the third Wednesday of November next, and to that end we recommend that the Benton County Good Roads Association appoint one delegate, and that the Commercial Club appoint one delegate, and that the expenses of these delegates, so far as practicable, be borne by these various organizations; be it further

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be extended to the various speakers who have addressed the convention.

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Mr. Robert O. Burke, Elnora, N. Y., writes: "Before I started to use Foley's Kidney Cure I had to get up from twelve to twenty times a night, and was all bloated with dropsy and my eyesight was so impaired I could scarcely see one of my family across the room. I had given up hope of living when a friend recommended Foley's Kidney Cure. One 50 cent bottle worked wonders and before I had taken the third bottle the dropsy had gone, as well as all other symptoms of Bright's disease." Sold by Graham & Wortham.

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