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**THE STATE MUST WAIT**

No Money for Irrigation Commission for a Year.

**NEWELL MAKES STATEMENT**

Chief of the Reclamation Service Believes the Umatilla Project Is the Best.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Notwithstanding the fact that Oregon has contributed more to the National irrigation fund than any other state in the Union, it is perfectly evident from the explanation made today by Chief Engineer F. H. Newell, of the reclamation service, in a hearing before the irrigation committees of Congress, that no part of this great fund is to be spent for actual construction work in Oregon for at least one year, and perhaps for several years to come. In fact, Mr. Newell specifically called attention to the fact that the preliminary examinations made by the engineers of his service showed that the states which have contributed the largest amounts to the irrigation fund are the least in need of Government aid in reclaiming their arid lands.

Mr. Newell stated that the work that has been done in Oregon is far from complete. The information gathered last Summer gives no definite idea of the possibilities of the several projects examined, and further surveys will be necessary before it will be possible to determine definitely what one of the several projects is best. The preliminary examinations lead him to believe that the Umatilla project is superior to either the Silves River or the Deschutes, so far as it has been explored, but he is not yet satisfied that the Umatilla project should be taken up by the Government. More data are needed, and will be gathered next Summer. Until further details are available and more thorough surveys have been completed, the department will not feel justified in authorizing the construction of any project in Eastern Oregon.

A similar condition exists in Washington, although in the opinion of Mr. Newell that state will probably not see any of its lands brought under Government irrigation canals in the immediate future. Eastern Washington, he says, presents an opportunity for undertaking one of the most gigantic irrigation schemes ever known. The Big Bend country contains between 1,000,000 and 2,000,000 acres of land that can be brought under irrigation canals, but the cost of constructing such a system would be second only to the cost of constructing the Panama Canal. To reclaim the Big Bend country would require a tunnel and cuts 30 miles in length. In view of the cost of such a work, Mr. Newell says it must be left to future generations.

**Coming Attraction.**

Eight of the energetic young people of Ione have, during the past month put in some faithful work on a play which was put on last Saturday night in the Ione opera house, and was so successfully rendered and proved to be the best entertainment of the kind ever seen in this section, that the citizens of Ione have urged the people to reproduce the play in Heppner and Arlington for charitable purposes. They have consented to do this and will appear at Roberts' hall next Tuesday night in the play "Hazel Adams," which abounds in keen wit, bright hu-

mor and genuine pathos. The proceeds are to be given to Mrs. W. M. Haguewood, whose husband died a few weeks ago leaving her alone in this world with 10 children to support. The entire family, mother and children are down with typhoid fever and help at this time will be most highly appreciated, not only by the family but the people of Ione also.

The people of Heppner should turn out and fill the hall to its utmost capacity. The cast includes the best people of Ione, and hard work has been spent on the play. A stage manager was secured to drill the characters, and those who saw the play as produced in Ione have nothing but words of praise to say for it.

**Masons Elect Officers.**

The following officers were elected Saturday, December 19, in Heppner lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M., to serve for the ensuing year:

A. L. Emerson, W. M.; C. C. Patterson, S. W.; E. P. Mitchell, J. W.; L. W. Briggs, Sec.; Frank Adkins, treas.; T. W. Ayers, Tyler; Percy Garrigues, S. D.; W. P. Scrivener, J. D.; A. L. Ayers and Robert Hart, deacons.

**OFFICERS ELECTED IN CHAPTER.**

Following officers were elected in Heppner Chapter No. 26, R. A. M., Thursday, December 17, for the ensuing year:

Frank Gilliam, M. E. H. P.; P. O. Borg, King; A. Andrews, Scribe; V. Crawford, C. of H.; Frank Sloan, P. S.; Geo. Whiteis, R. A. C.; E. P. Mitchell, M. of 3d V.; A. L. Ayers, M. of 2d V.; A. L. Emerson, M. of 1st V.; J. Patterson, treas.; Geo. Conser, Sec.; Henry Blackman, Sentinel.

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**MATLOCK-ZAN RECITAL.**

Miss Matlock an Elocutionist of Rare Ability.

The recital given by Miss Bertha Matlock, assisted by Mr. Zan, the famous baritone, at Roberts' hall, last Thursday evening, was undoubtedly the best entertainment of the kind ever given in Heppner, especially if weighed by public opinion and applause given by the large audience in attendance.

Miss Bertha Matlock, while a very young lady, is certainly gifted with rare ability, and that her splendid efforts were fully appreciated, was made known by the numerous encores and continued applause throughout the entire evening.

Heppner people are appreciative and are always willing to give credit to deserving people, but this time they were a little surprised, and it is unnecessary to mention that they were delighted to witness the unusual ability and pleasing appearance of Miss Matlock.

In every appearance, Miss Matlock showed the result of most careful and thorough training, coupled with unusual natural ability.

The selection of subjects for recital while difficult, were presented in such a manner as to impress the audience with great force. In fact, it hardly seems possible that so much could be made out of reading.

Miss Matlock made every thought real. The facial expression and the true interpretation of her subjects would carry the audience at will.

With a repetition of the same program, Miss Matlock could again get a bigger house than she had before.

The GAZETTE is pleased to say that this talented young lady was a former Heppner girl, and Heppner may well feel proud of her.

Mr. Zan, leader of the Cathedral choir of Portland, who assisted in the entertainment has a very fine voice, and Heppner people were highly pleased with his selections.

**Death of a Pioneer.**

Mrs. N. C. Vinson, wife of Geo. Vinson, of Butter Creek, died at the residence of her daughter Mrs. Norman Shipley in this city, last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Vinson was born at Knoxville, Ills. She was one of the early Oregon pioneers, having crossed the plains to Oregon in '52, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Brown. They first settled in the Willamette valley. In 1865 she was married to Ransom Presley, and they came to Butter creek, in 1870, where Mr. Presley died. In 1878 she was married to Geo. Vinson who survives her. She leaves two children, D. M. Presley and Mrs. Norman Shipley of Heppner. The remains were laid at rest in the Butter creek cemetery.

**Card of Thanks.**

To the people who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of wife and mother Mrs. N. C. Vinson, we hereby extend our most heartfelt thanks.

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