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## EX-SERVICE MAN BACKS WATSON CHARGES

### RECLAMATION OF SOUTHWESTLAND NEW ERA PROJECT

PLANS FOR RECLAMATION OF MILLIONS OF ACRES OF COLORADO RIVER BASIN ENDORSED AT LEAGUE MEETING TODAY.

President Obregon and Other Mexican Delegates Attend Convention; Canadian Harvester of Niagara Falls Present; \$150,000,000 Plan.

By CHARLES E. HUGHES (I. N. S. Staff Correspondent)

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Dec. 8.—Reclamation projects which will put millions of acres of desert land under cultivation; power development which will generate hundreds of thousands of hydro-electric horsepower and add many millions of dollars annually to the production of wealth and the growth of industry in the Colorado River basin, are to be endorsed at the convention of the League of the Southwest, which opened here today. The sessions will be continued tomorrow and Saturday.

Delegates from three nations and eight states are present. The United States government is represented by Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall. President Harding also selected Mr. Fall as his personal delegate to the convention and his spokesman in detailing as far as possible the standing of the administration as to reclamation and power projects in general, and the development of the Colorado River basin in particular.

Secretary of the Interior Villareal of Mexico, is representing that republic, and President Obregon in person, and a special commission from Mexico City and delegates from the Mexican border states affected by the Colorado river projects are also in attendance.

Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power commission of Ontario, and a special party are representing Canada. Sir Adam's organization has harnessed the Canadian side of Niagara Falls and is serving light and power to 300 Canadian cities.

The eight states included in the League membership and interested in what will be done with the waters of the Colorado river are: California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma. The latter state alone, perhaps, is not directly concerned, but its executives are to be represented.

The development of the Colorado basin will be in the hands of the Colorado River commission which, by act of congress, has power to work out projects and methods under reclamation proceedings. Congress some time ago appropriated as a starter \$250,000,000 for reclamation work. Of this \$112,000,000 is already apportioned to work under way. It is hoped by delegates to the convention that a part of the \$138,000,000 remaining will be allocated to the Colorado basin development.

One commissioner is named from each of the seven states within the watershed of the Colorado, and one is appointed by the president and must be confirmed by congress.

### WINTER FAIR PROGRAM FOR REMAINDER OF WEEK

This evening at 8 o'clock the ladies' Civic Improvement club will present their laughable comedy, "J'ville Junction," at the Armory. Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock there will be an open forum for farmers at one of the Armory rooms. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon Prof. C. Reimer will answer questions relating to soils, irrigation, forage and grain crops, fruits and vegetables.

Tomorrow evening there will be music by the high school band and speeches by Prof. G. A. Briscoe, superintendent of Ashland schools; Representative Ben Sheldon, and Hon. G. H. Mansfield, of Medford.

MAJ. C. B. VOGEL



Maj. Clayton B. Vogel of the United States Marine Corps, has full charge of a correspondence school, conducted by the marines as a means of educating their men wherever they are stationed in the world.

### POLICE TAKE RAP AT COMPLAINERS, ASK CO-OPERATION

According to Chief of Police Hatcher, the county and city officers have been victimized by widespread criticism of their methods in dealing with bootlegging, the discovery of moonshine stills and in other ways curbing a number of alleged vices. In answer to these charges, Chief Hatcher has prepared the following statement in which he suggests that complainants give more aid and less criticism to the police.

### As Officers of the Law, Are We Wrongly Criticized in Neglect of Duty?

We hear a great deal of criticism about the county and city officers of Jackson county for not doing their duty in not making search for stills and booze, and in not curbing other vices, and the arrest of the drunks, which is all easier said than done. But do the Anti-Saloon league or the Christian people make the proper effort to help the officers in the enforcement of law and order? Have any of the complainants ever lost an hour's sleep at any of the many places where they could go and find out for the officers who was selling the moonshine, or who was making it?

We are wondering how many of the so-called "good" people know that organized outlawry has sued the local officials for doing their duty? Do they know that Deputy Sheriff McMahon has had to defend himself for personal suits brought against him for official acts done in performance of his official duty? Said suits putting them and him to quite a lot of expense and worry, all of which helps to weaken if not to paralyze their arm when they should or do try to enforce the restraining law passed to curb iniquity, which formerly was legalized, but is now a crime.

If the Anti-Saloon league is the church in action, and we have been told it is, why does it not come to the help of the said sued officials? Perhaps the local Anti-Saloon league is asleep at the switch, or more probably it is moribund.

If the fault finders would turn the light of criticism on themselves they would find it is their duty as much as the officers to enforce the law, if not in person, then in helping the officials in enforcing the laws, not only laws arising as a consequence of the prohibition amendments, but laws against selling or giving cigarettes and tobacco to minors—a crime we fear is committed by too many of our so-called "respectable" business men, and committed by a number of our so-called "better class" of minors. Is this neglect or failure on the part of many, if not all of our citizens, due to the fact that to do their duties as citi-

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## 250 Winter Fair Entries Fill S. Ore. Show Window

Haz Kik



Dear Mr. Haz Kik: Will you move over a little and give me enough of your space to jot down a few words. I notice in the recent thumb-paper edition that the Ashland Chamber of Commerce has just gotten out down at Medford to circulate in Ashland, that the secretary is repeating a number of things that the Chamber has been doing. I don't know just how attractive the Medford people are making it, to have the Chamber get out these editions down there, but unless they are coming across powerful liberally, they are getting something for nothing. I am very much surprised, that the people of Ashland would stand for such a thing one minute. I don't believe that the charter of the Chamber of Commerce ever intended that such a thing should be done. While it is well enough for the secretary to be telling of the big things that the Chamber has done, but what about the future? It seems to me unless we get our forces together our accomplishments for this year will make rather dull reading, for the edition next year. The trouble is not all with John Fuller and Bert Greer. The directors of the Chamber of Commerce make a worse mistake in recognizing a division in the ranks of the Chamber than John and Bert did in fighting each other; that one act recognized that unity had been killed and sanctioned the killing. Unity is the prerequisite to success; she is the mudsill, the main spoke in the by-laws that govern success. The Chamber of Commerce should not be made an engine room in which we create energy for any of its members to fight each other with—this energy that should be used to develop the city. The creed on the front page of the thumb-paper edition, is the most inconsistent thing I ever read, especially when I thought of the circumstances under which it was written. It is bad enough to lose John and Bert as members, but it is worse to lose two or three hundred. John and Bert will come back, but it takes some energy to corral two or three hundred members. It is well to stand by your friends, but when it is at the expense of the good of the city, I do not believe in it.

It is not the fight between Fuller and Greer that is hurting the town: it is the recognition of and dignity given to it, by the Chamber of Commerce.

A Commercial Club Member.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The period of uncertainty and suspense in which the conference activities languished for several days, will be ended by Saturday, it was stated in British and Japanese quarters.

The British spokesman said that Japan had "unofficially" apprised the conference powers of her acceptance of a 5-5-3 naval ratio and her willingness to enter an agreement designated to keep the peace of the Pacific.

When most hens go on a strike. C. E. Morton, A. McMillan, E. O. Smith, Ernest Webb, and H. W. Frame are the men to whom credit should be given for the success of the poultry show, which is about one third larger than last year.

A. H. Davenport, T. S. Wiley and G. M. Frost have not only made a conspicuous success of the apple show, but have made creditable displays of their own fruit. Other prominent exhibitors are Albert Johnson, G. W. Pellett, D. H. Jackson and D. A. Owens. Four large tables are covered with some of the finest winter apples which the world has produced. Most of the fruit is shown in display boxes, which are as wide and long as a standard apple box and deep enough to hold one layer. Newtowns and Spitzenburgs predominate, but there are many delicious and winter Bananas, the two most popular varieties, as well as many fine specimens of other sorts.

The committee on grains, grasses and vegetables—O. D. Lowe, D. H. Jackson and C. B. Lamkin—have found some of the biggest pumpkins and squashes, the longest ears and stalks of corn, the finest potatoes, wheat, oats, barley and rye and similar products comprising two large and interesting displays. One of the latter is contributed by the Jackson County Fair association and is an immense exhibit, virtually the same as was shown at the state fair. Fruit, flour, canned goods and many other home products are shown, in addition to those already enumerated. A twenty-four pound fleece of wool, a number of winter casabas, and several labor-saving appliances for the home attract especial attention.

### Poultry Exhibits Lead Show; Colorful Horticultural Division Big Feature.

With livestock, poultry, fruit and industrial exhibits, the second annual Ashland Winter Fair opened here yesterday for a four day show in which approximately \$1300 in prizes will be given away. Exhibits continued to arrive all day Wednesday and more are expected today. It is estimated by O. H. Anderson, fair committee member, that 250 entries have already been made.

Although the apple and fruit displays are a close second and make the flashiest showing, the poultry division is the dominant feature of the fair. Many exhibits from Portland, Eugene and other northern cities are entered in this division.

The horticultural exhibits—apples and the like—are several times more extensive than last year. The poultry is one-third larger. Although Jackson county stockraisers and several from Josephine county have entered exhibits, the livestock division is not quite as large as originally expected, owing to housing difficulties.

The show is considered a representative exposition taking the place of the county fair, which was not held this year.

The fair judges are: Prof. E. B. Fitz, of O. A. C., livestock; B. F. Keeney, of Eugene, poultry; and Prof. F. C. Reimer, Talent experiment station, fruits and vegetables.

The schools of the county are represented by nearly 500 individual exhibits ranging from kindergarten paper cuttings to dresses and furniture made by high school students.

The auto exhibit, the first to be held in Ashland, exceeded expectations and is one of the main features.

The farmers' show window—the Winter Fair—is filled with many interesting and instructive exhibits, which the management sincerely hopes will be viewed by as many people as possible during the remainder of the week. The hard-working committees have surely done their share, and the numerous exhibitors have responded liberally, in the opinion of the judges. B. F. Keeney, of Eugene, who judged the poultry, was especially well pleased with the chicken show. Mr. Keeney is the only poultry judge in Oregon licensed by the American Poultry association. He has had thirty years of practical experience in poultry husbandry and is so familiar with a hen's good points that he could judge them in the dark with one hand tied behind him.

There are 240 rabbit hutches and hen coops, all filled with cackling, crowing, gobbling, grunting and squealing inhabitants. Two kennels of Scotch terrier and Spitz puppies are as cute as can be and are the especial delight of children visitors. The Belgian hare show is marvelous, consisting of bunnies black, white, red and various other colors, big bucks, tiny baby rabbits—all sorts. Ducks and turkey gobblers add variety.

A somewhat surprising thing about the poultry show is the very small proportion of White Leghorns shown, this being by far the most popular and numerous variety produced in this region. Mr. Keeney explains the situation by the fact that Leghorns are now produced almost wholly with a view to egg production, and, therefore, do not show up well in exhibition coops. Plymouth Rocks and Rhode Island Reds are the breeds most in evidence although there are White Wyandottes and many other varieties.

E. O. Smith exhibits a dozen pullets in a good-sized pen, which is equipped with trap-nests, where the industrious biddies continue to ply their calling, despite the curious eyes of visitors. A record sheet for November shows that the twelve pullets laid an average of twenty-four eggs each, which means an 80 per cent production, a very remarkable performance for the month

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GEN. W. D. CONNER



Gen. W. D. Conner has been named as aide to Marshal Foch during the famous Frenchman's stay in this country.

### SPEAKERS SHOWER COMPLIMENTS ON ASHLAND'S FAIR

Commendations and compliments were showered on Ashland for its industrial history making Winter Fair by Mayor Gates, of Medford, and John E. Gratke, representing the 1925 exposition at Portland, yesterday evening at the Armory. Prior to the speaking the Ashland band gave the Winter Fair sightseers a happy, self-satisfied feeling as they walked eagerly from booth to booth viewing the exhibits synonymous in meaning with Ashland development and its establishment as a Southern Oregon industrial and home city. After a short address by Henry Enders, Jr., the speakers' program was placed in charge of Mayor C. B. Lamkin, who acted as chairman.

In expressive language, Mayor Gates painted a word picture of Ashland as yearly looming larger on the traveler's horizon as a tourist mecca, and cited the Winter Fair as an exposition which would aid Southern Oregon and Jackson county to maintain a secure hold on its established prestige as a fruit, stock raising and farm center. He referred to his trip to the state fair at Salem and asserted that if every county could send exhibits such as are being shown at the Winter Fair to the state fair grounds, three or four new buildings would be necessary. Mayor Gates spoke on the advantages of co-operation in advancing Ashland, Jackson county, Southern Oregon and—"of paramount importance—Oregon."

"If we don't make Southern Oregon the playground of the nation, it's our own fault," said Mayor Gates. "We have scenic advantages unequalled in California. We want to advertise those advantages—bring people to Oregon. Get behind the 1925 world's exposition. Oregon needs the advertising and the benefits from that world fair to pull it out of a hole, to bring more people into the big state with the small population."

Mr. Gratke, who is prominently identified with the 1925 exposition affairs and the Portland Chamber of Commerce, praised the spirit of friendship between Medford and Ashland. He prefaced his address on the Portland exposition with laudatory remarks about the Ashland Winter Fair. Mr. Gratke explained the progress, aims and value of the world's fair, comparing it with the San Francisco, San Diego and Seattle expositions.

"We want the Oregon fair to bring out the history and romance of the state," Mr. Gratke stated. "We know the beauties are here, but we want others to know it. Oregon needs advertising. Scenery is the one thing you can sell over and over again. The asset remains. I believe that even the Columbia gorge fog can be sold and if I had the say-

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### PUSHES CLAIM OF EXECUTIONS WITHOUT TRIAL

GEORGE TAYLOR, PHILADELPHIA MAN, CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN 12 SOLDIERS HANGED IN FRANCE DURING WAR.

Senator Watson Confronts Investigating Congressional Committee with Sworn Statements. Claims Men Are Afraid to Testify.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The affidavit of George Taylor, Philadelphia ex-service man, who swore that he saw twelve American private soldiers hanged while he was a member of the American military force at Is-sur-tille, France, and submitted by Senator Watson today to the senate committee investigating his charge that American soldiers were hanged and shot without trial overseas during the world war.

Taylor swore that when he left Is-sur-tille, he understood several more American soldiers were to be hanged. He averred that a condemning sergeant told him, Taylor, that a girl the sergeant had been accused of attacking, had come to his bed of her own volition and awakened the accused man. The sergeant denied having attacked the girl and claimed she accepted money from him.

Watson told the committee that he would prove that American soldiers were executed when innocent. He said that some ex-service men were afraid to appear before the committee "lest their compensation be cut off." Some of these men, asserted Senator Watson, "had their very souls shell shocked by the horrible outrages they were subjected to by their officers in France."

### CIVIC CLUB ASKS IMPROVEMENT OF TERRACE ST. HILL

By GRACE H. CHAMBERLAIN At the Civic Improvement club meeting Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Conner introduced the following plan. The city owns an acre of land at the highest point on Terrace street. The hill top is nearly bare save for manzanita bushes. The view is unsurpassed and Mr. Conner urges that steps be taken to make this acre one of our scenic beauty spots, dedicated in honor of our soldiers. Mr. Conner will donate the trees—firs, pines and other native trees, provided that the city will grant permission to plow the ground and to fill in the broken and long-unused reservoir. Mr. Conner would require assistance from a party of men in transplanting the trees. Mrs. Ben Heath, whose property adjoins this hill top acre, was appointed chairman of a committee to bring this matter to the attention of the city council, and to enlist the services of men in the American Legion, if permission to beautify this spot is allowed.

Don't miss the Civic club entertainment tonight at the Armory. Mrs. Hanson, who has charge of the program, is planning a sale of home made candy. The play, which the club members expected to put on, never arrived, but since we are advertised as the ladies Improvement club we believe that we are living up to the name when we announce that Mr. Mennen of the Popular Players, will put on a play for the Civic club Thursday night. The Popular Players are doing this as their contribution to the club house. The applause that greeted this announcement indicated appreciation, not only of this generous donation, but of the work done by this company while in Ashland.