

SHATTUCK IS PLEASED WITH DAM PROGRESS

CONSTRUCTION HEAD SAYS WORK PROCEEDING IN EFFICIENT MANNER

CONCRETE POURING WILL START

Pier a Day Will Be Completed—Firm Foundation Located—Steam Shovel Will Be Moved

"We have made a thorough and careful study of the progress of the work in the Grants Pass Irrigation district, and believe it is proceeding in the most economical and efficient manner," said E. S. Shattuck, head of the Shattuck Construction company, yesterday afternoon, as he was taking the train for the south after ten days spent with his organization here. In discussing the work, Mr. Shattuck said that the construction of the dam was progressing most satisfactorily, and that the pouring of concrete would commence within the next week, which would mark the near end of the effort to curb and control the waters of the Rogue. The best of foundation had been found in the bottom of the stream, he said, and the excavation was nearly done and ready for the placing of the forms for the piers. These will be six in number, and the superintendent on the job says that these piers can be concreted at the rate of one a day when concrete pouring begins.

Mr. Shattuck said that the only criticism he had to offer on the work of the past was that some of the excavation of the high line ditch could better have been done by the steam shovel rather than by the mule equipment. The teams will be taken off the job on the first of the month, or as soon as the south side high line has been completed to a point where it will serve the lands on that side and Jerome Prairie. The hill side excavation on the south side will be completed with the steam shovel, as will the Tokay canal on the north side. Mr. Shattuck explained that with the taking out of the mule equipment and the closing of the camps, the overhead expense would be practically eliminated, as only the shovel crew, under a competent foreman, would be needed to complete the ditching. He expected that 40 to 50 days would complete the dam, except for the installation of the machinery, after which only a small equipment would be needed to bring the work to completion. He suggested as a measure of economy and of serving the district in the spring, that as soon as the steam shovel, now working in the main gravity canal on the south side reaches the highway crossing, which will be in about 10 days, that it be put at once on the highline canal and the Tokay canal, and these completed ahead of the big canal on the river bank. The steam shovel excavation is being found most economical and will be used wherever it is possible, and any team work necessary after the mules are taken out will be done through local contract.

Mr. Shattuck said that he was much impressed with the Grants Pass district, and bespoke a most prosperous future for it with the coming of water.

Daughter Is Ill—

Mrs. J. G. Schmidt left this morning for Portland where she was called by the sudden illness of her daughter, Florence Schmidt, who went there about a week ago. It is not known how serious the illness is but Mrs. Schmidt was told to leave for there immediately.

Many Packages Received—

Packages are flowing in to the county clerk's office in response to the call sent out for old clothes for Armenian relief. People are evidently cleaning out their clothes closets for the pile is growing steadily.

TANK EXPLODES AND KILLS FOUR

Oil Container Aboard British Vessel Blows up in New York Harbor While Men Are at Work

New York, Oct. 7.—An oil tank on board the steamer G. R. Crowe exploded while 100 men were working on the craft. Four bodies were removed an hour after the explosion and four more men are reported missing.

Personal Property Stolen—

When Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Streets moved here from Medford five years ago to take charge of the Oxford hotel they stored a large amount of their personal belongings in the attic of their home there and then rented the house. Yesterday they returned from a visit in Medford and bring word that their belongings have all been stolen. As there have been several tenants during the time the house has been rented it will be practically impossible to get the things back, although the Medford police were notified. Among the articles taken were some fine linen, two fur coats, hand painted china and other things which they hated to lose.

PORTO RICAN SUGAR NOT FORCED ON MARKET

San Juan, P. R., Oct. 7.—No Porto Rican sugars are being forced on the market. Whatever sugars there are here are being held for better or worse.

(This is evidently being done to prevent refiners from reducing the price of raw sugar, as the Cuban growers have asked the Porto Rican producers to join them in an attempt to prevent a cut in prices.)

For the first time in many years, two weeks have gone by without the shipment of any sugar from the island. Approximately 640,000 bags or 80,000 tons remain in the island for export.

Porto Rico produced in this year's crop 485,887 short tons of sugar, according to a final statistical report just issued by J. Ruiz Soler, secretary of the Porto Rico Sugar Producers' association. This is 7,000 tons in excess of his estimate made at the commencement of the grinding season and about 80,000 tons greater than the production during the crop season of 1918-19. It is also 20,000 tons in excess of the production during 1917-18.

Export figures show 367,000 tons of sugar shipped from this crop. Local consumption is estimated at 35,000 tons.

Mrs. Alice Bacon, county school superintendent, spent a day in Merlin, returning here this morning.

Miss Cora Letticken left this morning for Myrtle Point where she will visit for several weeks.

Mrs. J. S. Park returned to Roseburg this morning after a visit here with Mrs. George Quill.

C. L. Hobart will leave this evening for Portland where he will spend the next few days attending to business matters.

George Cramer returned to Medford this morning to sit on the federal jury which is now in session. He reports that there is not much being done yet.

Mrs. Sue Lacey has been visiting here for some time with her son, W. R. Swope. She was called to Los Banos this morning by some important business which needed her attention.

Mrs. Harry Wible and two children and Mrs. Wible's sister, Miss Wimba Tholen, arrived this morning from Golden, Ill., to make their home here. Mr. Wible has been here for the past two months and is employed in the Josephine county bank.

Harry Neale left this morning for San Francisco after a visit here with his brothers, George and Robert Neale, and the J. G. Bromley family. Mr. Neale has been in Siberia for the past two years serving with the American forces, having been commissioned as captain.

G.O.P. NOMINEE MAKES LEAGUE DIRECT ISSUE

RATIFICATION OR REJECTION IS ACCEPTED AS DIRECT ISSUE OF CAMPAIGN

RESERVATIONS NOT WANTED

Proper Course Held to Be "Staying Out" of Versailles Covenant and Reject Commitments

Des Moines, Oct. 7.—The direct issue of ratifying or rejecting the league of nations was accepted by Senator Harding in a speech here, brushing aside the problem of clarifying the reservations, and declaring he would "favor staying out" of the Versailles covenant. He said he wanted no acceptance of the league with reservations to clarify American obligations, but that the proper course would be to reject those commitments altogether.

American troops have no business in Germany, Senator Harding declared in response to a question from the audience.

Prospects Good—

Prospects are good for harbor developments at Crescent City if the support of the representatives who met at Portland this week counts for anything. This morning the Crescent City and Del Norte delegation left for the coast. According to Attorney O. S. Blanchard who was among the local representatives, Del Norte county was given much consideration. Dr. Douglas, of the coast county, was elected vice-president of the organization. Sam Morris, of Los Angeles, and Mr. McNulty of Crescent City, were elected to serve on the board of directors. These may be depended upon to pull for the Crescent City project. With everybody working on the plan, it is possible that future developments may be expected.

ELLIS ISLAND CROWDED WITH ALIENS WHO DESIRE TO ENTER UNITED STATES

New York, Oct. 7.—Ellis Island, melting pot of the world, is boiling as never before, with the greatest flood of immigrants in history pouring into it. Millions more are clamoring at Europe's exits, anxious to come to America and congress will be pressed to quickly enlarge both the physical plant and working force on the island to more than double its present size, according to Immigration Commissioner Frederick A. Wallis.

Since early last summer, aliens have been entering America's front door in unprecedented numbers. The problem of housing them until they can be admitted to the country has become painful to all parties concerned. Recently, hundreds of immigrants detained for investigation had to sleep standing up, as the floors, benches and chairs already were filled with the backwash from the congested dormitories.

The tide is certain to become greater with each passing month, Commissioner Wallis felt assured. Steamship operators informed him their accommodations are booked to capacity for 12 months ahead. Government officials announced 267,000 applications had been made for passports in Poland alone, mostly by Jews, while hundreds of thousands in other parts of Europe also were anxious to cross the seas to this country.

"Between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 Italians are seeking domiciles and citizenship here and more than 3,000,000 Poles want to come over," said Commissioner Wallis, who attributed the exodus from Europe to the harsh post-war living conditions and the economic situation. Frequently the commissioner ask-

BROOKLYN NOW LEADS SERIES BY WIN TODAY

CLEVELAND INDIANS DEFEATED IN THIRD GAME AND NOW ONE GAME BEHIND

THREE PITCHERS SENT TO BOX

Dodgers Hit Hard and Caldwell Is Knocked Out of Box in First Inning—Mails and Uhle Used

Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, Oct. 7.—Sherrod Smith's southpaw slants were poison to the Cleveland Indians and the Brooklyn Dodgers made off with the third game of the world series by a score of two to one. Caldwell was put in the box at the start for Cleveland, but Speaker took him out after Brooklyn had made two runs in the first inning. Mails went in and in the eighth, Uhle succeeded mails.

Development Is Assured—

The development of the Daily group of mines on the Lower Illinois river is practically assured. The Josephine Mining and Development Company, a corporation formed to develop mining properties in the county, has taken over the placer mines and plans are being made to start extensive work. John Dally, of Panther Bar, has been working the mines for the past five years and is authority for the statement that the property will prove to be one of the biggest that has ever been developed in Josephine county. Machinery is on the way in, there being a wagon road all the way to Panther Bar. A boiler and engine for a sawmill are to be installed to furnish lumber needed in construction. A machine for saving fine gold is also to be started operating soon.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Portland, Oct. 7.—Cattle are steady, hogs are higher, \$16 to \$16.50, sheep are weak, eggs and butter firm.

SEAPLANE FALLS BUT MEN UNHURT

Canadian Aviators Fall When Start Made on Cross Country Flight From Halifax to Vancouver

St. John, New Brunswick, Oct. 7.—Two Canadian Royal Air force aviators, Colonel Lockie and Major Hobbs, who started this morning from Halifax for a flight to Vancouver, crashed near here. The seaplane was wrecked but the aviators were apparently uninjured.

Interest Not Keen—

Interest in the world series baseball games this year has not been marked as in past years. Usually there is a crowd of high school students and business men awaiting the returns at the Courier office. This year the returns are posted in the window and very few people as much as stop to read them. Very few phone calls are being received where formerly the office force was kept busy telling the score. The reason is not evident unless the fans are disgusted by the disclosures made of the fraud in last year's games.

TUG RUNS INTO BLOW OFF WASHINGTON COAST

Astoria, Oct. 6.—The tug Daniel Kern, which arrived last night ran into a blow off Willapa, en route from Puget Sound to Astoria with a barge. A gas launch aboard the barge was washed off and lost. Outside of the Columbia the Kern picked up the crews of two trolling boats in distress. One of the boats was lost.

Riga, Oct. 7.—Military operations between the Poles and Lithuanians have ceased. Polish headquarters announced today.

W. R. C. Meeting Saturday—

Gen. Logan W. R. C. will hold their regular meeting Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Cora McBride, of Portland, state president of the Oregon department will be present on her official visit. Every member is requested to be present. The G. A. R. and all Civil war veterans and visiting members of both organizations are cordially invited to be present. A picnic supper will be served at the close.

A. J. Crow, of Merlin, was a business visitor in the city today.

A. M. Tomseth and L. M. Swift are visitors in the city from Holland, registering at the Oxford.

A. L. Flynn, a Waldo mining man, is among the visitors in the city today.

D. L. Bauman is a business visitor in the city today, coming over last night from Crescent City.

Miss Jean Williams returned to Leland this morning after a short visit in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hayes are spending the week at their mine on Briggs creek doing assessment work on the property.

Edw. E. Cohen, Oldsmobile manager of Oregon, with headquarters in Portland, was in the city last night, leaving this morning for Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rabb are registered at the Oxford from the "Capitol of the World," as Kansas City calls itself in a spirit of pride.

Miss E. J. Falconer and Norman Falconer, of Nez Perce, Idaho, are stopping at the Oxford for a short time.

Mrs. O. E. Osborn returned to Medford this morning after spending a day here with her daughter, Mrs. N. E. Bohall.

Fishing Is Better—

If anybody believes in signs, there is a sign hanging in the door of Joe Wharton's sporting goods emporium which signifies that fishing is good. Everybody who wanted to buy fishing tackle was greeted with the placard with the words, "Oct. 7, out for the afternoon." Mr. Wharton may be suffering from a delusion that today is a holiday, but then again it may be that Bruce Olding whispered in his ear, for yesterday Bruce and Mr. McNeill made a catch of 12 beauties. It is a well known fact that when fishing is good, Mr. McWharton declares an official holiday so it might be a good plan to get out the rod and try it.

CENSUS SHOWS POPULATION OF U.S. INCREASED

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES NOW HAS 105,683,108, AN INCREASE OF 13,710,842

MOST STATES SHOW GROWTH

Percentage of Increase in Most States Large—Few Show Decrease in Past 10 Years

Washington, Oct. 7.—The total population of continental United States is 105,683,108, an increase of 13,710,842, or 14.2 per cent. This does not include 12,250,000 in the country's outlying possessions. The population of Alaska and the total under the military and naval service is yet to be announced.

Washington, Oct. 7.—State populations announced today are as follows:

Pennsylvania	8,720,159	Increase	1,055,048.
Ohio	5,759,368	Increase	992,247.
Iowa	2,403,630	Increase	178,859.
Michigan	3,567,222	Increase	857,049.
Virginia	2,306,361	Increase	244,749.
Arkansas	1,750,995	Increase	176,546.
Florida	966,296	Increase	213,677.
Idaho	431,826	Increase	106,232.
New York	10,384,144	Increase	1,270,530.
New Jersey	3,156,374	Increase	618,207.
Texas	4,661,027	Increase	764,485.
Arizona	333,273	Increase	128,819.
Kansas	1,769,185	Increase	73,236.
North Carolina	2,556,486	Increase	350,199.
South Carolina	1,683,662	Increase	168,262.
Nevada	77,407	Decrease	4,463.
Wyoming	194,402	Increase	48,437.
Alabama	2,347,295	Increase	209,202.
Nebraska	1,295,502	Increase	103,288.
Minnesota	2,386,371	Increase	310,663.

Capt. Simmons in Hospital—
"Capt." Simmons, one of the best known persons in the city, is reported very ill in the Good Samaritan hospital. He had a serious breakdown some time ago which placed him in a very bad condition.

Will Gravel Hayes Hill—
Bids are to be opened Friday by the county court for the graving of Hayes hill. This stretch of road on the Crescent City-Grants Pass highway was graded last year by John Hampshire and the steep pitches have been eliminated from the hill. About two miles are included in the amount to be graveled.

Got His Bear—
Glenn Jeremiah came down from Portland with the ambition to get a bear. He went out to Panther Bar to stay with his uncle, John Dally, who told him where the hunting was best. The young man went out and the first day saw a cub bear which he proceeded to get for some good bear steaks. The old bear was not far distant and went to the rescue of her offspring. A quick decision was necessary. After looking around and seeing no tree he repeated part of an old song he had once heard, "Lord, if you can't help me, don't you help dat bear." With that to fortify himself he blazed away and luckily floored the old one. Now he can tell his Portland friends of the wonderful hunting in Josephine county.

LANGFORD KNOCKS OUT TINY HERMAN OF ASTORIA

Portland, Oct. 7.—Sam Langford, of Boston, knocked out Tiny Herman, of Astoria in the seventh round of a ten round go here last night.