

WAY PAVED FOR OPENING CRATER PARK

AMENMENT CASE PROVING TO BE DEAL IN HIGH FINANCE WITH NOT A PARALLEL IN OREGON

HEARING UNDER WAY REVEALING STARTLING FACTS

Case Has Been Under Way Past
Week in Grants Pass—Calkins
Rules That C. W. Ament Must Answer
Queries—Plaintiffs Comprised
of More Than 700 Stockholders.

The testimony brought out in the hearing of the case of William Zimmerman et al vs. the Golden Drift Mining company and C. W. Ament, its president, now under way in Grants Pass, tends to show that C. W. Ament's handling of the company's business was one of the greatest deals in high finance ever attempted in Oregon and without parallel in this section of the state. The plaintiffs, which comprise the stockholders of the company—over 700 different individuals—have alleged some startling facts, and the testimony is said to be adding weight to their contentions.

Began June 5.
Before Judge Calkins, the attorneys began the case on June 5. It developed that C. W. Ament had, through his relatives who constituted the board of directors of the Golden Drift Mining company, voted himself bonds to the amount of \$105,000. When asked to state where the bonds were he refused to answer on the ground that it was his personal affair. The plaintiffs were unable to proceed without laying this foundation, and the case came to a sudden stop until the matter should be passed upon by the court. This was done on Monday, June 13. The court required him to answer, not only this question but others of similar import, and also stated that if the transactions were honest the evidence would not hurt the defendants and if it were dishonest it was something the plaintiffs were entitled to know.

Case Resumed.
On Tuesday following the taking of evidence was resumed. The evidence thus far is said to show that C. W. Ament, prior to taking up the Golden Drift transaction, had reaped about \$750,000 from the sale of American Gold Fields stock, which corporation had a bond on what is called the Granite Hill mine, situated about nine miles from Grants Pass. The property was never paid for and reverted to the owners and is now idle, owing to the fact that the proceeds of the stock sales were not used to pay for the mine and that Ament sold this stock by paying monthly dividends, which gave it an appearance of being a commercial investment. He carried on a like transaction with a corporation known as the Model Gold Mining company. He also had numerous other like concerns for which he sold stock, promoting the sales by his payments of dividends out of the proceeds of stock sales.

Company Organized.
The evidence is said to show that after these had all played out and judgments had gone against him in considerable sums, growing out of these transactions, he organized the Golden Drift Mining company. He having any particular mine in view. He went to Coos county, where he had heard of a property, and on his return learned of the Dry Diggings, situated about three miles from Grants Pass on Rogue river, and which are now the holdings of the

TAFT ROASTS BUT SIGNS THE "PORK BARREL" BILL

President Sends Special Message to
Congress Expressing His Disapproval of Haphazard Scheme of
Distributing Improvements
throughout the Country.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—Congress adjourned sine die shortly before midnight.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—President Taft today signed the rivers and harbors appropriation bill. In connection with the opening of the "pork barrel," the president sent a special message to congress expressing his disapproval of the haphazard scheme of distributing river and harbor improvements and insisting that he would have vetoed the bill except for the reason that it contained certain paragraphs that should be fulfilled.

A resolution placing a million dollars at the disposal of the president to alleviate flood conditions along the Colorado river was introduced by Senator Flint of California and adopted without debate. The president urged immediate action and stated in his message that he had been advised that the lives of thousands of persons and millions of dollars' worth of property were in jeopardy.

In the message President Taft said the bill was poorly constructed and at one time he had decided to veto it in order to secure the enactment of a better one. He said he opposed the piecemeal policy of making appropriations.

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SAYS GRATER LAKE SURPASSES YOSEMITE, CAL.

Dr. E. B. Pickel Back From Visit to
California's Great Natural Wonder—A Greater Booster Than Ever
for Wonderful Crater Lake.

"Yosemite is not in it with Crater Lake in any particular," states Dr. E. B. Pickel, who has just returned from a visit in California's greatest natural wonder. "Our own attraction is far more wonderful, far more beautiful, far more entertaining to a lover of nature. Yosemite is wonderful, but not as wonderful as Crater Lake."

Dr. Pickel, together with Mrs. Pickel and Mr. and Mrs. Vawter, returned Friday evening from a motor trip to San Francisco and Stockton. From the latter place the party went in by train and stage.

The trip was made without difficulty and is reported very enjoyable at this time of year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cantrell of Jacksonville returned from a visit to Grants Pass Saturday.

TWO KILLED BY BANDITS IN HOLDUP

Citizens Give Chase and Succeed in
Killing One, Another Suicides,
While Third Is Captured—Manufacturer
and His Bodyguard Victims—Public Feeling
Runs High.

LYNN, Mass., June 25.—After having shot and killed John Landrigan and Policeman Carroll, three footpads were pursued today by a posse of citizens and police through the streets of Lynn until one was shot and killed by a policeman, another committed suicide to avoid arrest and the third was captured.

The bandits held up Landrigan, a shoe manufacturer, as he was returning from a bank with \$6000 to pay off his men. He resisted their attack and was shot down. The shots brought Policeman Carroll to the scene, and he, too fell under a fusillade from the revolvers of the thugs.

Robbers Flee.
By this time citizens and police assembled and the robbers, gathering up the money, fled. They were pursued through the streets to the outskirts of the town. So close were the pursuers that the bandits abandoned their loot at Highrock and it was recovered by the authorities.

The chase continued and finally the robbers were surrounded in Revere's field, near Lynn.

One Killed.
While the posse was closing in, one of the bandits was shot and killed by a policeman. A second, seeing that escape was hopeless, put his revolver to his head and blew out his brains. The third was seized just as he raised his pistol to his head.

Landrigan was killed almost instantly. Policeman Carroll died on the way to the hospital. Landrigan was a member of the firm of Landrigan & Walsh. It had been his custom to go to the bank on Saturday morning for money for the firm's payroll. It is believed that the thugs were aware of this and laid their plans accordingly. But for the bravery of Carroll it is believed they

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\$10,000 FOR SURVEYS IN CRATER PARK

Senator Chamberlain Persists in His
Fight for Appropriation and at
Last Is Rewarded. Although the
Amount Is Cut \$5000—Has Passed
Congress and Is a Certainty.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—George Putnam, Medford, Or.: An appropriation for the surveys of roads throughout the Crater National Park was fixed in a second conference, on the instance of the senate conference, at \$10,000. This was finally agreed to by the house and has passed congress.

(Signed.)
GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

Senator Chamberlain, as shown by the above dispatch, received Saturday evening, has succeeded in getting an appropriation for Crater Lake, even after the house had rejected his amendment, adopted by the senate, to the civil appropriation bill, providing \$15,000 for the surveys.

When the civil appropriation bill was introduced in the senate a week ago Senator Chamberlain offered an amendment providing \$15,000 for surveys in the park. The amendment was accepted. However, in the house committee the item was struck out.

From his telegram it is evident that Senator Chamberlain persisted and at a second conference succeeded in securing \$10,000.

This appropriation paves the way for the opening of Crater Lake to the world. Without a survey of the park the department of the interior would be unable to ask for appropriations to further develop the park and make it accessible. The lack of such a survey has in the past been the stumbling block. Through Senator Chamberlain's efforts the way has been paved for additional appropriations.

MEXICAN ELECTIONS ON TODAY

Although Country Was Quiet Yesterday, Officials Prepare to Guard
Against Outbreaks—Nephew of
Diaz Resigns as Chief of Police to
Placate People.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico, June 25.—Though the country is quiet today, officials throughout Mexico are preparing to meet outbreaks tomorrow, when the national elections will be held. That the administration regards the possibility of attempted uprisings as a grave danger is indicated by a sudden change of front today. It was announced today that Ramon Corral, present vice president and candidate for re-election, against whom the fire of the liberals has been directed, has withdrawn. Theodore Dehesa will become the administration candidate for the vice presidency and he will be probably declared elected after the balloting tomorrow ends.

Would Placate People.
As another indication that the administration desires to placate people the announcement has been made that Felix Diaz, nephew of the president, has resigned as chief of police. Felix Diaz was one of the most unpopular officials in the administration. It is through his offices that the numerous arrests of liberals have been made, and because he was related to the president powerful reactionaries have declared that the president had a much more direct control over the movement of the police than he could have maintained through his office. The withdrawal of Corral and the resignation of Felix Diaz was intended as a sop to the liberals, it is declared, although the newspapers make no comment. In many quarters it is believed that the victory of the liberals is not a real victory and that Dehesa is only a figure-head. Corral himself, it is declared, will have the powers of office, no matter who may take its title. It is also declared that the resignation of Felix Diaz is intended only to deceive the people, and it is believed that he will be re-appointed

\$150,000 HOTEL FOR WEST SIDE PLANNED; PAGE HOTEL IS COMPLETELY FINANCED

TO RESUME WORK AT ONCE ON PAGE 4 STORY BLOCK

Project Has Been Financed and
Contracts Are to Be Let Immediately—Will Represent an Investment
of Over \$100,000—All Modern
Conveniences.

Contracts will be let at once and work begin within a few weeks on the four-story hundred-room hotel to be erected at the corner of Main and Riverside avenue by Dr. F. E. Page, the financing of the project having been completed today, when a syndicate of local business men took \$40,000 of 6 per cent first mortgage bonds.

The hotel will be 88 by 150 feet in size, have four stories and basement, with grill, billiard room, barber shop, etc., in the basement; office, storerooms and lobby on first floor, 114 rooms for guests, with sample rooms, etc., on top floor. Electric elevators will be installed and all the fixtures of a first-class hostelry added.

The building will cost \$75,000 and will represent an investment exceeding \$100,000. Contracts will be let calling for completion by December 1 next and bonus be offered for every day ahead of this time. The basement excavation has already been completed.

The bonds were taken by business men of the community, among the subscribers being H. C. Kentner, Hubbard Bros., Warner, Wortman & Gore, Will Gore, Dr. Goble, H. Humphreys and Hutchison & Lumsden.

Dr. Page states: "The new hotel is entirely financed. Work will be begun as soon as possible and we hope to be in operation by January 1, 1911."

BRIDGE TO BE BUILT ACROSS UNION CREEK

Crater Lake Road Commission
Decides to Build Bridge at Once in
Order to Make Lake Accessible
This Season—New Hotel to Go Up
at Once.

A bridge across Union creek is to be built at once by the Crater Lake road commission. This is to be done in order to make the lake accessible by automobile this season.

Secretary Parkhurst of the Crater Lake company has returned from his first visit to the lake this season and states that work is to be started at once on the new hotel on the rim of the lake. Mr. Parkhurst states further that accommodations for the public will be ready July 1 at Arant camp.

H. L. Holgate, superintendent of water rights in Southern Oregon, was in Medford Saturday on official business connected with the adjudicating of water claims in this district.

6 STORY BLOCK TO BE ERECTED MAIN AND IVY

Local Men Form Company and Plans
Are Now Being Drawn for Modern
Hotel Building—Work Is to Start
in the Immediate Future and Will
Be Rushed.

As soon as the plans can be completed and bids received, work is to start on the erection of a six-story hotel building on the corner of Main and Ivy streets, commonly known as the Coleman property. The building is to be erected by the Medford Hotel company, a syndicate of local men, and will cost \$150,000.

The incorporators of the new company are W. F. Rau, Bert Anderson, A. Coleman, Emil Mohr, C. W. Palm, J. R. Wright, L. E. Wakeman, E. C. Ireland, J. C. Brown.

Messrs. Clark & Forrest, architects, have about completed the detailed plans and ground will be broken within a very few days on the lot above mentioned and which lot has heretofore been owned by A. Coleman, but is now taken over by the company.

The company was organized by W. F. Rau and Emil Mohr. Mr. Rau is an old hotel man who has long seen the need of a new hotel here. Emil Mohr became a partner of Mr. Rau in the Hotel Moore some months ago. He likewise saw the necessity of a hotel into which the people who come here to seek homes or who come here for pleasure could be taken, without making them feel that they wished they were back home as soon as they entered their rooms. Therefore they, with the assistance of local merchants and citizens, organized this company to build.

The hotel will have a well-arranged lobby, mezzanine floor, elevators for passengers and freight as well; an up-to-date grill and dining room, in which will be furnished a perfect cuisine under the supervision of an expert chef.

A feature will also be the finest sample rooms, the same being arranged in such a manner that the light will come in from all sides. Another feature will be a barquet and assembly halls, same being copied after the latest styles of the hotels in Europe and the east, which were lately visited by Mr. Mohr and to which he paid particular attention.

It will be supplied with its own cold-storage and electric light plant, will have hot water plant for heating purposes and will have about 60 rooms with baths and about 75 rooms without baths, and every room will be an outside room. It will be supplied with billiard hall and a reading room.

M'LOUGHLIN AND LONG EASILY WIN TENNIS HONORS

VENICE, Cal., June 25.—Maurice McLoughlin and Melville Long of San Francisco easily made their way into the finals of the men's doubles at the Venice Country club's seventh annual tennis tournament today, defeating the Barker brothers of Los Angeles in straight sets, 6-2, 6-4.

The Rogers brothers of Los Angeles won the semi-finals in the opposite frame by defeating Holmes and Horrell, 6-3, 7-5. They were scheduled to meet the San Franciscans in the finals late today.

John Briner of Talent was in Medford Saturday, greeting old friends.

First Picture of Colonel Roosevelt
Taken the Moment He Landed In New York.

