

# COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED FOR CONGRESS

General Committee Named to Take Charge of Mining Meet in This City Names Sub-Committees to Take Care of Preparations.

DATE IS CHANGED FROM JAN. 17 TO FEB. 3 AND 4

Exhibit Will Be Placed in the Root Building at the Foot of Main Street.

The committee recently appointed by the Commercial club to make arrangements for the holding of the next meeting of the Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining Congress met at the office of Attorney E. J. Newman Sunday morning and perfected their plans by the appointment of the following committees:

Finance committee: F. L. TonVelle, Dr. Ray, J. H. Carlin, E. C. Ireland and J. D. Bell.

Railroad excursions: Rosenbaum, Gerig and Barnum.

Advertising: Messrs. Putnam and Ruhl of Medford, Woolfe and Greer of Ashland, Holton of Yreka, Bagley of Jacksonville, Patterson of Central Point, Lampan of Gold Hill and Voorhies and Griswold of Grants Pass, all being newspaper men, and also Messrs. Patterson and Thrasher of Medford, to act in connection with such newspaper men, it being the intention to make this the best advertised meet the association has yet held, and to prepare something in the line of an elaborate booklet showing cuts of the different properties in the district and containing a succinct statement of the mining conditions prevailing throughout the district so that the outside world may be given an idea of the possibilities existing in this district from a legitimate mining standpoint. This booklet will be something that the mining men throughout the country will greatly prize, as it will contain nothing but what investigation will prove to be substantial and accurate statements of true conditions existing here, and will not be intended in any manner to promote stock selling or other advertising schemes. Any party or association wishing to have their property represented in this booklet should at once call upon or write this committee at Medford, Ore., who will give detailed information respecting this plan of advertising the mining resources of the district. The booklet will be limited in size, so that it will behoove all wishing representation therein to act promptly.

Membership committee: Messrs. F. J. Newman and R. L. Ray of Medford, O. L. Young and C. B. Watson of Ashland, Andrews and South of Grants Pass, Richards of Merlin, Luce of Etna Mills.

Mining exhibit: Messrs. Callahan, Carnihan and Jones of Blue Ledge, Andrews, Hersinger and Johnson of Grants Pass, Bacon of Kerby, Lamb, McWilliams and Young of Ashland, Richards of Merlin, Jerry of Willow Springs, L. J. Luce of Etna Mills, a member from Yreka, a member from Hornbrook, Opp and Norling of Jacksonville, Beckman of Gold Hill, Dr. Kelsey of Woodville; Reddy, Ray, Forbes, Lorimer and Lillygram of Medford, Jack Harvey of Galice, a member from Leland and Boose of Tolo.

Program committee: Messrs. F. J. Newman, Dr. Reddy, Mr. Hills, E. E. Kelly and Thrasher.

It is expected that the chairman of the respective committees will at once take steps looking to the carrying out of the work of his committee, and that nothing will be left undone to complete the necessary detailed work, as the time is short and action must be had at once by each of the above committees in order to assure success. Each committeeman should start at once to carry out the work assigned to him. A splendid building has been secured, through the kindness of J. M. Root of Medford, in which to display the samples of ore received, and suitable prizes will be offered for the best exhibits of the different kinds of ore, to be determined by competent judges.

Owing to the fact that the State Merchants' association will be hold-

## CHINESE VICEROY SLAIN.



Tuan Fung.  
Photo by H. L. ...

Tuan Fung, a noted Chinese general has been assassinated by his own soldiers, according to information just at hand. Tuan Fung was one of the most prominent men in China.

## CITY SUITABLY OBSERVES GLAD CHRISTMASTIDE

Churches, Splendidly Decorated, Hold Appropriate Services—Needy Families Are Remembered Throughout the City—Postoffice Does Well.

Medford, rather tired and worn as the result of a two-day Christmas celebration, awoke this morning and again turned to its work, although with a brightened face. For the stockings have all been emptied, the larder's supply of "goodies" has been diminished until now only a joyful remembrance of the day lingers. The bustle and stir in the city's marts has dropped off from the rush of the past week and tired clerks are again beginning to feel a little better.

It was a great Christmas. Of course no one got as much as they gave, but what's the diff? All had a great time and the bright, cheery Christmas greetings hurled back and forth during the past two days mean a lot, anyhow.

At the Churches. With music, song and decorations that transformed the interiors into bowers of greenery, splashed brightly with clusters of red berries and flowers, the churches of Medford Sunday signaled the advent of Christmas and acclaimed the birth of the Savior.

Beautiful as the services of song and music always are at this season, greater efforts than ever were made by directors of choirs and organists throughout the city. The attendance was heavy in all of the churches, large congregations gathering in each house of worship.

With the Clerks. Although the postal and express business was greater this Christmas in Medford than ever before, the Medford offices kept well up with their work and only delay in the arrival of mail and express caused presents to be late. Thousands of packages have been received in the city and at times it seemed to those handling them that they would never get even with the job. Still there was an end to all things, even the stacks of packages. Everything moved on schedule time.

All Remembered. The B. P. O. Elks and the City Relief society saw to it that all of the needy families in the city were remembered Christmas day. Substantial food as well as candy, nuts and toys were left, and in this way a Christmas was provided where none would otherwise have been provided. Owen Patton for the Elks and Rev. A. A. Holmes for the City Relief society put in long hours of investigation and it is believed that no one in need was overlooked.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 26.—May Wah, red-headed, king of Chinatown, reputed leader of the Hin Sing Tong, remembered his white friends with liberal Christmas presents. His red hair is a wig.

ing a meeting in Medford at the time originally set for the holding of this congress and that all the hotels and rooming houses have already been secured in which to care for the merchants, the committee has deemed it advisable to postpone the meeting until Friday and Saturday, the 3rd and 4th of February, 1912, at which time they assure the public a meeting that will be a credit to the district.

# TO STOP ROAD FROM LEASING GRANT LANDS

Congressman Lafferty Will Ask the Department of Justice to Enjoin Southern Pacific From Leasing Land in 3,000,000 Grant.

CHARGE THAT COMPANY THIS WAY BETTERS TITLE

This Prevents Settlers From Homesteading the Land Now and Bolsters Company's Position.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—According to Washington dispatches today Congressman Lafferty of Oregon will ask the department of justice to enjoin the Southern Pacific railroad and B. A. McAllister of San Francisco from leasing any more land included in the 3,000,000 acre Southern Oregon land grant to the Oregon-California railroad, title of which is being contested by the federal government. The Oregon and California was absorbed by the Southern Pacific.

Lafferty charges that the company, through McAllister, is leasing the land in question at \$45 per 160 acres annually, for the alleged purpose of gaining settlers' acknowledgment to the company's alleged right to the lands. This, he asserts, would prevent the settlers from homesteading the lands now and would aid in bolstering up the company's claim of title.

The deal is being handled in Portland by the Homestead Realty company.

# SUN YAT SEN MAY BE PRESIDENT

Shanghai Dispatches State That Unless Demands Are Granted by Wednesday War Will Be Resumed by Rebels at Once.

TOKIO, Dec. 26.—Dispatches received here today from Shanghai declare that unless Yuan Shi Kai grants the demands of the Chinese rebels for the establishment of a republic, the revolutionary chiefs who are here in conference will elect Dr. Sun Yat Sen president of a new republic on Wednesday and will establish the capital at Nanking.

Dr. Wu Ting Fang and the other revolutionary leaders at Shanghai are angered at the failure of the dictator to reply to the proposals of peace made him and declare they will wait no longer than tomorrow before cutting off all intercourse with the representative of the Manchus.

# NO DAMAGES FOR JENKINS

City Wins Damage Suit Brought Against It by H. Jenkins for an Injury to His Horse in an Open Ditch.

The city of Medford has won out again in its suit with H. Jenkins. Action was brought some months ago in the justice court by Jenkins to recover \$249 damage, alleged to be due for damages sustained by injuries to a horse. The horse is alleged to have fallen into an open sewer ditch, sustaining injuries to the above amount. The city won in the justice court and the case was appealed to the circuit court where, on Saturday, the city again won, the circuit judge directing the jury to bring in a verdict in favor of the city.

Not many investors will buy unadvised property in this city this week.

## View of Crater Lake From Proposed Highway



This is but one of the many beautiful glimpses of Crater Lake which can be gained from the survey of the proposed highway about the rim of the lake, which Major Morrow urges congress to have completed by 1915 when the Panama fair at San Francisco is opened.

# ARMY ENGINEER URGES HASTE IN BUILDING ROAD

Completion of Roads in Crater Lake National Park Before Opening of 1915 Fair at San Francisco Pressed in Order to Attract Tourists.

"MOST BEAUTIFUL VIEW," DECLARES MAJOR MORROW

Oregon's Benefit Shown by Army Engineer's Report, Submitted to Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—"It is doubtful if any view existing in the world today is as impressive and at the same time as beautiful as the view of Crater Lake from the rim," said Major Jay J. Morrow, of the army engineering corps, in transmitting a report to the war department, recommending the expenditure of \$642,000 for the construction of roads and trails in the Crater Lake National park.

Coupled with his appreciation of the scenic beauty of Crater Lake park, Major Morrow urgently recommends that the main roads, for which he has made surveys and estimates, be rushed to completion in order that thousands who visit the San Francisco exposition in 1915 may, en route to or from Portland, stop off a day and see the park. If these roads can be completed in time, Major Morrow thinks the Crater Lake tour will prove to be one of the favorite side trips of travelers.

Figures Declared Reasonable. About 25 miles of good roads and 100 miles of trails, in the opinion of Major Morrow, will enable the tourist to reach the most important spots in the park with facility, and, while the estimated cost is high, he believes the expenditure is fully justified, particularly as it is proposed to build the roads for automobile travel.

Compared with the cost of building roads in the Yellowstone and Rainier National parks, where the topography is similar to that in the Crater Lake park, Major Morrow says the figures cited in his estimates are not excessive, but about on a par with the actual cost of building roads over like territory in the two older parks.

It probably will be somewhat difficult to secure an appropriation of \$100,000 this session for beginning work on the Crater Lake roads, for the house is inclined to hold down appropriations, and national park improvements are never regarded as of vital importance. However, it is probable that some members of the California delegation will join hands with the Oregon delegation in urging a liberal allowance, and, jointly, these two delegations may be able to get what the army engineers are asking for.

Crater Lake park is about as accessible to San Francisco as it is to Portland, and California will benefit as much as Oregon from tourist travel.

Road Extension Needed. "It is of paramount importance," says Major Morrow, in his report to the war department, "to build a road encircling the crater as near its rim as possible, in order that the lake may be viewed from all possible points. It also is necessary to build roads from the rim road to the two entrances, utilizing the existing roads as much as possible, and to provide for a road to the eastern boundary, as this will shortly be the principal entrance to the park, when the Natron cutoff is completed.

"The railroad then will be only 10 miles from the park. It is also advisable to build a road leading to The Pinnacles, which can later be extended to a fourth entrance, if desired. About 100 miles of trails are necessary to make accessible other spots which can hardly be reached by roads."

The detailed estimates submitted to congress by Major Morrow are as follows:

Rim road, around the rim of the crater, 33 miles...	\$429,000
Road to the Pinnacles, 5 miles...	39,000
Road down Bear creek, 5 miles...	39,000
Road to Fort Klamath entrance, 10 1/2 miles...	73,000

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# IMMUNITY NOW DEMANDED FOR FOUR PACKERS

Citing Judge Humphrey's "Immunity Bath" Decision, Attorneys for Ten Chicago Packers Object to Evidence About Case Prior to 1905.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 26.—Citing Judge Humphrey's "immunity bath" decision, attorneys for the 10 Chicago millionaire packers on trial in United States Judge Carpenter's court here for criminal conspiracy under the terms of the Sherman law, today gave notice that they objected to all evidence the government may offer concerning the operations of the packers prior to 1905.

The packers demanded specific immunity for Tilden, Francis, Fowler and Heyman. The defense alleges that these defendants had furnished information to the commissioner of corporations, and, under the Humphreys decision, were not amenable to prosecution upon this information.

Judge Carpenter excluded the jury and then decided that counsel on both sides should confer regarding the evidence the government proposed to introduce, the defense indicating specifically to what portions of it they would object. He said the court would rule when the government had completed the submission of the evidence.

Attorney John S. Miller, for the packers, notified the court that he would make the same objection at the beginning of the testimony of every witness for the government.

The first witness was Arthur Veeder, at whose office the meetings of the old packers' pool were held. Veeder traced the transformation of the Swift partnership into the Swift corporation, and described in detail the organization of the National Packing company—the beef trust—of which he was once general counsel and treasurer.

# HEAVY FROST HITS ORANGES

Thousands of Dollars Lost in Southern California's Groves Due to Great Drop in Mercury—Fires Are Started.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 26.—Reports today from orange orchards in San Bernardino, Riverside and Los Angeles counties say that thousands of dollars' damage was done to the crop by last night's heavy frost. At San Bernardino the mercury dropped from 44 degrees at 6 o'clock to 25 at midnight. Growers were quick to realize the danger to the crop, at least 80 per cent of which is still on the trees. Smudging fires were started and hundreds of men worked all night

# POLICE SEARCH FOR MAN WHOSE CHECKS ARE BAD

E. R. Mitchell Buys Jewelry and Checks Come Back With "Insufficient Funds" Noted on Their Back.

The authorities today are seeking information as to the present whereabouts of E. R. Mitchell, a grading and excavating contractor, who has made his residence at the Hotel Nash for some time past. Mitchell is said to have victimized local people Saturday by issuing checks, with no funds to make them good.

On Saturday Mitchell purchased jewelry from T. B. Van de Car giving his check for \$135; from J. P. Lawrence giving his check for \$84, and from D. L. Keller, giving his check for \$80. He also gave the hotel Nash a check for \$40. It is said that he has 5 cents in a local bank.

Constable Singler stated today that he believed he knew where the man is at present.

Saturday was an ideal day for bad check artists, as the banks were closed two days, giving that length of time for a "get away."

# HAINS MAY WED FORMER WIFE

Both Deny Report, However, Yet Brother States He Believes Couple Will Remarry—Harris to Seek Reinstatement in the Army.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—By long distance telephone from her home in Milton, Mass., Mrs. Claudia Hains, for whose alleged favors to William E. Annis, the latter was shot and killed at Bayside, L. I. by Captain Peter C. Hains, United States army, today denied a report that she and Hains would remarry. General P. C. Hains, the father, also denied the story in Washington.

Thornton Hains, the brother who held back spectators while Captain Hains shot Annis to pieces with an automatic gun, declares he believes the couple will be remarried next Sunday. Thornton Hains is bitter, declaring he impoverished himself seeking his brother's pardon from the penitentiary and that he was never even thanked.

Charles Seeger, a real estate man, started the story of the Hains' remarriage by reporting that Hains had rented an apartment from him, saying he expected to remarry his wife. Seeger added that Hains declared he expects to be reinstated in the army.

# BOMB OUTRAGES IN BULGARIA MAY LEAD TO A CLASH

Moslem Population Attacks Bulgarians and 180 Persons Were Killed or Wounded—State of Siege Proclaimed in Many Smaller Towns.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 26.—Despite the blockade by Turkish troops of Thrace and the censorship which Turkey has placed upon news from the troubled districts, it is possible today to construct a connected narrative from the statements of refugees arriving here concerning the recent bomb outrages there.

December 4 a bomb exploded in the market place near the Shadavan mosque, killing two Turkish functionaries, wounding a Bulgarian shopkeeper and partially wrecking the mosque. The Moslem population then attacked the Bulgarians, and 180 persons were killed and wounded. Hundreds of houses were looted. A patrol of Turkish soldiers joined with the Moslem mob, using their bayonets on the Bulgarians. The battle lasted five hours.

Attacks have also been made upon the Bulgarians in the villages of mixed population in the neighborhood. A state of siege has been proclaimed at Ishib. The refugees scout the idea that the outrages were inspired by the Italian government, though the Valle of Salonika assures the correspondents of foreign newspapers that the Italian government harbored four persons to commit these crimes by an outlay of \$50,000.

Public opinion in the Balkans, turning a deaf ear to the arguments of Turkey that Italy is the trouble maker, is inclined to lay the blame for the disturbances at the door of Austria, whose grab of Bosnia and Herzegovina will for many years serve as a warning to the other Balkan states to beware of the territorial ambitions of Emperor Franz Josef.

# FOWLER LANDS IN LOUISIANA

Rumor That Bird Man Was Lost in Marshes Is Dispelled by Report That Aviator Had Landed at Paradise, 22 Miles From New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 26.—Various rumors that Aviator Robert G. Fowler was lost in the Louisiana marshes were dispelled here today with the news that the California birdman had landed at Paradise, La., 22 miles away from New Orleans.

Fowler left Los Angeles October 19 and consumed three weeks in flying from Houston, Tex., to Paradise. He made the distance from New Iberia to Paradise, 101 miles, in 2 hours and 5 minutes. From here he plans to fly via Mobile and Atlanta to New York.