

17 GOLD BRICKS VALUED AT \$24,532 IS SINGLE CLEAN-UP

KLAMATH PROJECT MANAGER REMOVED

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 4.—Project Manager J. G. Camp today was removed from office and J. B. Bond, formerly of Browning, Montana, was placed in charge of the local offices of the reclamation service. It is understood the change has been made because of difficulties which have arisen between Mr. Camp and the Washington offices. Mr. Camp made the following statement today: "The reclamation service must have a project manager at Klamath who will not only deal fairly with the water users but one who will, after co-operating with the local office, report fully and clearly to this and the Washington offices upon all matters pertaining to the affairs of the project and its operations and future development, so that these offices may have full information before acting on the many matters which pertain to the welfare of the settlers and of the government."

"The above statement was made in a letter from the chief of construction to me, and I was requested to turn over the project to Mr. J. B. Bond and put in the coming month making him acquainted with the project," said Mr. Camp. "Mr. Bond is now in charge. This decision of the chief of construction is a surprise to me, and I believe is founded on a misunderstanding which I am in hopes of clearing up. I have tried to do my best for the project and have kept my superior officers well informed at all times in regard to all project affairs."

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

At the Commercial Club meeting, Monday night, it was voted to make appropriations in the way of photos for the "Rogue" the Ashland High School annual, also to furnish pictures of local scenic attractions for the Auto Blue book, a publication of wide circulation which reflects the extent and leading avenues of motor car tourist travel up and down the coast. Phil Metschan, of the Imperial Hotel, Portland, was appointed to represent Ashland at a forthcoming meeting in that city of delegates who are boosting the scenic attractions of the Pacific northwest in the way of advertising these notable features. J. H. Hill, president of the Ashland Fruit and Produce Association, urged people of the valley to "grow something" and revert to former conditions as to raising crops in these days of good prices, instead of depending entirely upon bond issues in the hope of placing fictitious valuations upon both city and suburban properties. Mayor Gates of Medford also spoke in the same view, urging co-operation along all lines between the valley towns, and prophesied that irrigation in general would sooner or later become an accomplished fact. W. H. Gore, also of Medford, outlined at length the scope of the \$6,000,000 bond issue and reviewed the legislative history of the inception of the measure. Geo. E. Boos, secretary of the Tri-State Good Roads association, was also here, but a vehement fire alarm put an effective closure on extended remarks.

The Southern Pacific's big oil tank in local yards may hereafter be supplied from a central distributing system at Coos Bay, the oil being brought there by steamers from California instead of entirely by rail to Oregon points on the system extending as far north as Junction City. The capacity of the tank here is 55,000 barrels.

Sir Francis Webster, member of the British peerage, was in Ashland recently on his way to San Francisco and are anxious now to become citizens, but had neglected to take out their papers.

after inspecting his orchard property in Jackson county, notably those in the vicinity of Medford. He is a Scotch laird, thoroughly in sympathy with the care and comfort of dumb animals as developed by humane education. He is credited with dressing his prize cows in winter with homespun from his own factories to protect them from the rigors of Scotch climate. In stating the condition rather than the nature of his particular business during these stress times, Sir Francis invariably fills in the designated space in the hotel register with the brief word "poor."

Over the California line they are contemplating the levying of a state tax on country dogs as well as the city ones.

The traditional three fire alarms have occurred here recently. The first at the Strickfaden home is a matter of history. The second occurred Sunday night at the Phipps unoccupied house also in the Nob Hill district. Damage to roof was nominal. The third alarm was on Monday night. An overheated stove at the Hays residence on Lincoln street caused minor damage. This third event broke up the Commercial club meeting at the city hall, leaving Secretary Boos, of the Tri-State Good Roads association, in the midst of an interesting talk on improved highways. The fire department made record sprints in each case.

A. F. Hunt, stockdealer of Port-

land, was renewing old time acquaintanceships here recently, on his way to Merced, Cal., where he has extensive cattle interests.

The Valleyview district farmers' club held its initial meeting on Tuesday evening. This is a progressive organization of live members. S. Holt is president, and Fred Hollibaugh, secretary-treasurer.

Il. V. Richardson, former Ashland attorney, is now practicing in San Diego, with offices in the Timken building.

"Be Kind to Animals Week" will be locally observed during the period from April 16 to 22. Humane Sunday occurring on the latter date. Much of this beneficent work is cultivated in school channels, and the city library carries a file of Our Dumb Animals, of Boston, the official paper in America of the humane movement directed in behalf of all animals. Thousands of Bands of Mercy are scattered throughout this country. The motto of the workers is, "We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves."

Clarence Adams, who figured prominently here as manager of the last year's roundup, is one of the incorporators of the Great Western Roundup, of Portland, a concern which is featuring moving picture shows and manufacturing films.

An Ashland resident has a historic yet gruesome relic in the way of a fragment of the outer box which enclosed the casket of Abraham Lin-

coln at the time the martyr president was buried in the mausoleum at Springfield, Ill. This relic was furnished by an Illinois resident, formerly of this city, who vouches as to its history.

The Studio Ashland will close on April 15 for the summer season, and will reopen Nov. 1. The Ashland Art Shop has reopened temporarily in order to close out its stock entirely.

At the Congregational church on the night of Easter Sunday the Sunday school will give a cantata entitled "Voices From the Garden," being a resurrection story as nature tells it through the media of birds, streamlets, trees and flowers. Over 75 voices will be included in the cast. On Easter morning there will be special musical accompaniments to the service by the choir.

The Carson-Powder Lumber Co. of this city has purchased the Rogue River Lumber concern at Grants Pass, and a member of the local firm will move to the Pass to take charge of operations.

F. H. Carter, of Eugene, who has been revisiting old familiar Ashland scenes recently, is making an extensive tour of the south, having at last acquiesced in Texas.

George W. Claxton, residing near the Normal, died Sunday evening, after a lingering illness, aged 46 years.

He was a widower and leaves four young children. Brief funeral services were held at Dodge's undertaking parlors on Tuesday afternoon,

after which a brother of the deceased from Medicine Hat, Alberta, accompanied by the children, left with the body for Cochrane, in that province, where the burial will take place. The children will also be provided with homes by relatives in that vicinity.

Procrastination on the part of eligible recruits marks the efforts to secure enlistments for First company C. A. C. of this city. They urge delay until they are certain war is under way, in which event it is asserted that twenty-five men from Ashland and ten or more from Talent will be at once available to swell the ranks of the First company to a full quota.

In view of war's alarms a watchman is being employed by the Southern Pacific to patrol the railroad yards here, more particularly the section in which the company's big oil tank is located.

D. T. Lawton of Medford has been appointed deputy sealer of weights and measures, succeeding C. L. Hanson of Jacksonville, resigned. The southern Oregon district with which he becomes identified includes Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Douglas, Klamath, Lake and Coos counties.

All teachers in the Talent schools have been re-elected for the ensuing year, including Peter Spencer, as superintendent.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Congregational church will hold an Easter thankoffering at the manse on Wednesday of this week,

supper being served in the Sunday school room at 5 p. m.

The Misses Carrie and Mabel Van Nise are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Van Nise during the spring vacation. The former teaches at Pasadena and the latter at Seattle.

A report is current that in the event of the Oregon Coast Artillery being ordered out the men will be sent either to Honolulu or the Panama canal zone.

Recent awards by the Southern Pacific place the Sacramento division as the banner one on the system, with 85 stations scoring perfect. Gold medals were awarded the roadmaster and section foreman, also to 48 minor employees for winning inspection honors.

Over a dozen teams were employed in hauling rubbish to the dumping grounds on Tuesday from morn till night, and the cleanup campaign was a thorough one.

G. M. Frost is the new agent and carrier for the Oregonian, having succeeded C. W. Banta in that capacity April 1.

Local trainmen report that under the eight-hour service rule Gerbar is to be a division point for various railroad activities. Grounds cover 272 acres, and a 40-ton ice plant, 24 stall round house and 50,000 barrel oil tank will be installed. Over a score of new bungalows are being erected. The monthly payroll there is about \$20,000.



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CLUB APPRECIATES DELEGATION'S WORK

Mayor C. E. Gates, J. T. Sullivan and H. L. Walther represented the Medford Commercial club at the meeting of the Northwest Tourist association in Portland on March 31, 1917. Mr. Sullivan appearing for the local member of that association, and in appreciation of their efforts, the Medford Commercial club has adopted the following resolution: "Resolved, That the Medford Commercial club hereby heartily makes expression of gratitude to Mayor C. E. Gates and Messrs. J. T. Sullivan and H. L. Walther for the able and progressive manner in which they presented the interests of Medford and southern Oregon to the Northwest Tourists association on the occasion of its meeting in Portland on March 31, 1917; and further be it Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the records of the Medford Commercial club; that a copy hereof be sent to each of the gentlemen named therein and to each of the Medford daily papers for publication."

GRANT CITIZENSHIP TO GERMAN RESIDENTS

WASHINGTON, April 4.—A bill to grant American citizenship to all Germans, who have lived in the United States five years, was introduced today by Senator Townsend of Michigan. Thousands of Germans who have lived here a long time he said,

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