

Propose State Aid For Railroad and Irrigation Projects

Dr. Reddy Outlines Plan to Commercial Club for Solving Problem of Giving Work to Returned Soldiers and Developing State at Same Time.

At a meeting of the Commercial club Wednesday evening, a program of readjustment and development was presented by Dr. J. F. Reddy which was endorsed and sent the Jackson county delegation to be used as the basis of the solution of the problems of providing employment for unemployed returned soldiers and at the same time permanently developing the resources of the state. It provides for the issuance of \$10,000,000 state bonds, the proceeds to be used in railroad and highway building, completing half built railroads, and the construction of irrigation enterprises in sections needing water. The proposal follows:

A peculiarly absorbing business situation confronts the people of the state of Oregon. In character, it is essentially industrial and commercial. An incidental phase of the situation is social and economic to the extent of appealing to the patriotic impulse of our loyal citizenship; for it includes a definite and practical solution of the problem of providing adequate employment for unemployed returned and returning soldiers.

This situation has evolved an equally absorbing plan for meeting it promptly, practically and permanently.

Ten Millions Bonds

Bond the great state of Oregon for \$10,000,000 for investment in development projects of permanent value to the substantial interests of the commonwealth. These projects would include the construction of railroads, irrigation systems and other enterprises of magnitude and permanency; and, in addition to providing employment for thousands of men now clamoring for work, they would supply the means of developing resources on which the state now, and must in future depend for wholesome growth and its accumulating wealth.

Not only would the investment of the money thus provided by the state develop the projects to which it would primarily be applied, but it would open a permanent development in agriculture, lumber, mining, livestock and kindred enterprises that would insure constant production of wealth and the employment of thousands of men in a field now absolutely dormant and non-productive.

In Southern Oregon

In southern Oregon, as an illustration of the method of employing this money, it would provide, say, \$500,000 for the completion of the Grants Pass-Crescent City railroad; \$250,000 for the construction of a railroad up the Applegate valley and into the great chrome, copper, antimony, gold, timber and agricultural belt of that marvelous region; \$300,000 for the purchase of the Pacific & Eastern railroad; \$1,000,000 to add to the capital necessary to complete the Strahorn projects in eastern and southeastern Oregon; \$500,000 to make the desired rail connection between Burns and Bend; \$50,000 with which to complete the Vaile railroad extension; and so on.

Deducting these several sums from the \$10,000,000 which it is proposed the state shall provide will leave about \$7,000,000 of the original sum to be applied to other public projects in other counties of the state where the need of them is quite as pronounced as in the sections above designated.

Effects Manifest

The direct results of this use of the ten million dollars will be agreeably manifold. They would at once clarify the industrial atmosphere of the entire state by supplying labor for every returned soldier out of employment, thus removing a positive menace and an undesired cruelty from our soldier benefactors and yielding at the same time a service of incom-

putable value in the development of the vast wealth yet undisturbed by the industrial and commercial activities of this great commonwealth.

It would bring into the state additional millions of capital. It may reasonably be estimated that, for the ten millions the state thus would invest, fifty millions of outside money would necessarily be acquired. For instance, on the \$500,000 devoted to the completion of the railroad from Grants Pass to Crescent City, the projectors of that enterprise would add \$3,500,000 more, or seven to one. So, also, would it be in all of the projects from which the state would provide the fundamental investment.

Applegate Extension

Similarly, if \$250,000 were invested in the construction of a railroad up the Applegate valley and into that mineral and timber belt, those concerned in the properties of that district would add \$500,000 more, or two to one.

Tabulating the items in the Grants Pass-Crescent City railroad investment, we have:

G. P. & C. C. R. R. capital stock	\$5,000,000
Cost of construction and equipment	4,000,000
Cash 1st m'g bonds	\$3,500,000
Cash by state on 2d m'g bonds	500,000
Total	\$1,000,000

Grants Pass Railroad

The Grants Pass-Crescent City railroad would at once employ at least 3,000 men for a period of two years. It would open up a vastly rich territory to immediate development in such industries as mining, agriculture, lumber, livestock and sustaining pursuits that will continue to employ thousands of men. It would directly connect by rail an important extensive southern Oregon territory with deep water transportation at Crescent City, shortening the haul and correspondingly reducing the tonnage cost of freight. It would open up 300,000 acres of productive agricultural land capable of sustaining a population of 50,000 people. Within that territory the development and operation of mines, lumbering interests and livestock, in addition to agricultural and pastoral pursuits that would constantly employ 10,000 operatives. That district alone, it is estimated, would annually produce a gross income of ten million dollars.

Second Mortgage Bonds

With a railroad up the Applegate valley, a large territory, in which are undeveloped mining, timber and agricultural resources of great richness, an era of vigorous development would follow that would give employment to three or four thousand people in a greatly increased population.

On all of these projects the state would accept second mortgage bonds.

The positive need for the capital contemplated in this plan to invest in developing industrial projects in Oregon has been insistently apparent for many years, but the present need for haste in executing the plan is the labor market suggested by the chaotic condition of returning heroes who risked their lives and fortunes to make the world a safe place in which to live and redeem it from the savagery of militaristic domination and its consequent social and economic devastation.

Railroad Building Abandoned

The Hill and Harriman interests have practically abandoned building railroads in Oregon, owing to adverse legislation and over regulation and interference by the government in the operation of lines already constructed. Oregon cannot hope to make normal material progress without more railroads. A state without railroad facilities commensurate with its needs in development cannot compete with adjoining states adequately supplied with rail transportation.

It is manifestly up to the state of

Oregon to take the initiative in these important matters, in co-operation with its great territory of resourceful communities.

What Canada Has Done

The Canadian government has expended during the past ten years more than \$300,000,000 in subsidizing and building railroads into the vast wheat plains throughout its dominion for the purpose of developing its material resources. The sum asked for in this brief epitomized is a mere pittance in comparison with sums appropriated by neighboring states for development purposes. Facts to support the reasonableness of the approval for this action by the state of Oregon are voluminous, this being a brief and hurried outline merely, in the form of a suggestion as to benefits that indubitably would quickly accrue to the people of the commonwealth from the investments herein contemplated. It is submitted, however, in the knowledge and confidence that one of Oregon's most progressive legislatures is now in session at the state capital.

ELEPHANTS SHIPPED AS EXPRESS PACKAGES

It is not very often that we see elephants shipped by express, but on Thursday afternoon's train there was an express car with five large elephants that were sent from Winnipeg, Canada, to the Orpheum at San Francisco. The car tenders did not say that they were taking them to a milder climate for their health, but from the appearance of the elephants they must be glad to get out of winter climate. While they were at Winnipeg the mercury was forty below zero, and the elephants' ears were so badly frozen that they had to have five to eight-inch strips clipped off.

ASHLAND ELKS TO HEAR COLONEL KELLY

Escorted by a host of Elks from Medford, Lieutenant Colonel E. E. Kelly will attend the annual observance tomorrow night by the Ashland lodge of Elks of past exalted rulers might as the chief guest of honor.

The Medford delegation will meet at the clubhouse here Saturday evening and depart for Ashland by auto at 7:30 o'clock. There will be plenty of autos to accommodate all local Elks, and it is expected that a large crowd of them will escort Medford's distinguished soldier. The Ashland lodge has made elaborate arrangements for the gala event.

NAVAL PROGRAM MEETS APPROVAL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Unanimous approval of the administration's new three-year naval program with the number of capital ships reduced from 15 to 10 because of differences among experts over the value of battle cruisers, was voted today by the house naval committee.

In addition to the ten battleships, to cost not over \$21,000,000 each, the program as adopted provides for ten scout cruisers to cost up to \$4,000,000 each. It was decided to leave in advance the proposal to construct 130 smaller craft, in order that the navy department might recommend at the next regular session of congress types of vessels needed to round out the navy in the light of war lessons.

WASHINGTON DEFEATS CORVALLIS 36 TO 17

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 31.—The Washington State college basketball quintet scored a 36 to 17 victory over the inexperienced Oregon Aggie five here last night in a fast and hard fought contest.

ROSEBURG OPENS ATHLETIC SEASON ON FEBRUARY 15

The long delayed athletic season of the Medford high school will probably open at the Natorium on the night of Feb. 15 with games between the local boys' and girls' teams against the Roseburg high school teams. The local management has sent a contract to Roseburg high for these games and altho a reply has not come yet an acceptance is confidently expected.

If it should happen that Roseburg cannot play here the opening games will come on Feb. 14 with the teams of Ashland high playing here. But if Roseburg does come then the local contest with Ashland will be played a week later on the night of Feb. 21. Then the Medford teams will play return contests with Ashland in the latter city on Feb. 22, Washington's birthday.

While the proposed contests with Roseburg attract much interest, the real thing contests and utmost interest comes with the Ashland contests because of the always keen rivalry between the high schools of the neighboring cities. It is the ardent intention of the students to mop up with both Ashland teams, but the Ashland boys and girls may upset these plans. It is a psychological fact, as the Medford high students would say, that the local school always has Ashland's goat before a contest, but sad to relate the Ashland boys and girls have often returned home in the past with their goat much fattened and in unusually gleeful spirits.

The flu epidemic all over played havoc with high school athletics in southern Oregon this fall and winter. It knocked out football entirely in this section, and prevents a complete basketball schedule, as Grants Pass, Central Point and Phoenix have no basketball teams.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING MEASURE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Universal, compulsory training for American youths is proposed in a bill introduced in the senate today by Senator New of Indiana, republican.

Training of one year in a continuous period for all youths between 19 and 26 years is provided by the bill, which was referred to the senate military committee. Under the bill all youths upon completion of the training period would go into a national reserve for call in case of necessity.

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YANK INSURANCE CAN BE CONVERTED INTO OTHER FORMS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Conditions under which soldiers or sailors now holding government life insurance may convert these policies within five years into other forms were announced today by Colonel Henry D. Lindsay of the war risk insurance bureau. Rates will be made public soon.

There will be six different kinds of insurance—ordinary life, twenty-payment life, thirty-payment life, twenty-year endowment, thirty-year endowment and endowment payable at the age of 62. All policies will contain clauses providing that in case of permanent total disability the government will make monthly payments and premium payments will cease. This amounts virtually to old age pensioning and disability insurance and insures that no man who has served in the army or navy need ever be destitute if he carries the government insurance.

All policyholders will participate in dividends and earnings of over 3 1/2 percent will go into dividends. Since the reserves will be invested in government securities, it is certain that there will be large dividends periodically.

Collections of premiums will be made thru postmasters.

Any man now in military or naval

service holding government term life insurance can obtain the new forms, but the amount will be limited to his present holdings. The government urges all men to continue to carry their present policies, but to convert these as soon as they are financially able within the next five years.

The war risk insurance bureau today reported that 4,480,000 policies already have been issued aggregating \$39,232,000,000 or an average of \$8,756 on each man.

Up to date 34,969 awards had been made on deaths for amounts aggregating \$294,720,000.

Mrs. A. W. Foote from the Merritt hospital at Oakland, where she has been assistant superintendent, has arrived to take charge of the Medford sanitarium which has been reopened by Dr. Porter.

IF YOUR EARS RING WITH HEAD NOISES

If you have roaring, buzzing noises in your ears, are getting hard of hearing and fear Catarrhal Deafness, go to your druggist and get 1 ounce of Parmit (double strength), and add to it 1/4 pint of hot water and a little granulated sugar. Take 1 tablespoonful four times a day.

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