

CRESCENT CASES MAY HIT MERRIAM ELECTION CHANCE

Candidate for Governor of California Among Defendants in Investment Suits — Papers Are Interested

The political fortunes of Acting Governor Frank F. Merriam of California, yesterday became involved with litigation against the Crescent City Investment company, wherein purchasers of lots in the city by the sea, seek return of money they invested, Merriam, formerly a resident of Long Beach, Calif., was president of the investment concern during the period of most of the sales and is named as a party defendant in the two suits filed for recovery of money.

Developments in the case broke this week with demands from San Francisco and Sacramento papers for details of the litigation in which Governor Merriam is named. The executive, as lieutenant-governor of California, assumed the governor's chair upon the death early this month of James Rolph, Jr., and is a candidate for the position in the August primary of California.

Suits Now Pending
The suit of Bert B. Lowry of this city, and six others for recovery of money is now pending. The amount involved is \$3,939.54. The suit was originally filed September 30, 1932, and has been pending since that time. The defendants named in the suit are the Crescent City Investment company, F. F. Merriam, C. B. Day, R. T. Hamilton, C. B. Fitzgerald, and C. J. Gruberman, officers and salesmen, and the American Surety company, the Standard Accident Insurance company, and the Aetna Casualty and Surety company.

A demurrer filed by the American Surety company to the complaint, asserting that the suit was not filed within the required time and seeking to have all complainants file separate suits, will be argued "as soon as possible." Deputy District Attorney George W. Neilson, representing Lowry, et al in a private capacity said today. Settlement of the demurrer will place the case in position to be docketed for trial, Neilson said.

Want Money Back
Lowry and wife seek to recover \$1,014.10 for lot purchases. The other plaintiffs and amounts sought are: Harry Hamilton, \$280; Oliver C. Purkeypile, \$280; Victoria Traverser, \$80, all of this city, and J. J. Villar and wife of Klamath Falls, \$1,686.06.

Attorney Neilson said negotiations had been underway for settlement of the claims by the surety companies named as defendants.

The claimants allege that they purchased the lots from the Crescent City Investment company, on "misrepresentations," and claim that a railroad would be built to Crescent City,

ROOSEVELT PLANS STRIPS OF TREES ACROSS COUNTRY

100-Mile Wide 'Shelter Belt' From Canada to Texas Panhandle Would Stop Soil Blowing From Farms

WASHINGTON, June 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt is considering a proposal to plant a "shelter belt" of trees 100 miles wide and stretching from Canada to the Texas panhandle.

This gigantic program, which would require 10 to 12 years to complete, would aim to minimize drought and help prevent winds from stripping farm lands of their choice soil.

The plan was announced today by the American Tree association. F. A. Silcox, chief forester of the United States forest service, acknowledged it was under consideration.

May Decide Soon
The president may make his decision before he leaves Saturday for Hawaii. The plan is being studied by the budget bureau, Attorney General Cummings and other officials.

The planting in the 100-mile-wide area would be in strips, running north and south. First there would be a strip of trees, perhaps seven and one-half rods across, then a strip of land which would remain devoted to its present use, such as farming; then another strip of trees, and so on alternately.

There would be 100 strips of trees, or one to a mile, and thus most of the 100-mile-wide area would remain unseeded. The shelter belt would stretch 1900 miles through North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma to the Texas border.

Cost \$75,000,000
The cost was estimated at \$75,000,000. At least part of this would come out of the drought funds to start the program this year by collecting seed, establishing nurseries, and organizing the work.

"The magnitude of this 10-to-12-year program and its effect upon the dust storm area and the nation is greater than anyone can realize at this time," said Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the tree association.

"The immediate result will be the employment of men living in the drought-stricken areas and the expenditure of millions of dollars for leasing or buying farm and other lands for planting trees."

He declared the United States forest service should have charge of the program.

Details Announced
Details of the plan as announced by the association included:

1. Both sides of each strip would be fenced to prevent grazing.

2. The civilian conservation corps would cut fence posts.

3. Thousands of young farmers would be hired to plow the strips, erect fences, and plant trees, which would be cottonwood, green ash and other varieties adaptable to the soil and climate.

4. The area needed, which would be only small strips of each farm, would be purchased or leased.

5. Farming would continue in the area between strips.

The association says scientific proof of the value of such belts has been found in records of experiments dating back from 1898 conducted by the Russian government. It was found that the tree plantings increased rainfall, prevented heat and checked wind velocity.

"Such a program will go far toward preventing wind erosion of the soil such as occurred during the recent drought and would add vastly to the fertility of the farm lands in the enormous section east of the Rocky mountains and to the Mississippi river," Pack said.

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CRATER LAKE FISH WEAR ANGLER OUT WITH EAGER BITES

CRATER LAKE NATIONAL PARK. —(SpI)—Crater Lake rainbow, steelhead and silverside trout are all anxious to be caught this summer and are hardly giving anglers sufficient time to rest between catches, offering one of the best fishing seasons in the piscatorial history of the park.

Limit catches almost by the dozens have been reported so far this year.

Fishing, as usual, is the best in the region near Wizard Island where water is more shallow and food for the trout is more abundant. However, good catches have been made in other sections of the lake, especially near Kerr Notch and the Phantom Ship. Trolling continues to be the favorite method of angling, although fly fishing is beginning to attract the interest of numerous anglers.

R. W. Price, manager of the Crater Lake National Park company, announced this week, six new fishing boats are now available. The boats are of the latest construction and will substantially enlarge the fishing fleet the company has been maintaining for the convenience of park visitors. The accommodations are available from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

with rental rates held to a minimum. Fishing tackle may also be rented at the boat landing.

Daily limits are five fish per person. No fishing license is required. During the autumn of each year, the lake is heavily stocked with fingerling trout obtained through the cooperation of the Oregon state game commission and federal fish hatcheries. Over 200,000 were planted last year and it is probable a similar number will be planted this year.

The trout, with food easy to find, are in prime condition and are rapidly gaining the reputation of being the gamiest lake trout in the west, fighting and breaking water until they are actually landed in the boat. The largest trout on record, caught last season, weighed over 10 pounds, but this record is expected to be broken in view of the numerous big fish already caught this year.

ASHLAND POSTOFFICE PROSPECTS BRIGHTEN

ASHLAND, June 29.—(SpI)—Hope that the Ashland postoffice, allocated but at present awaiting appropriation of funds for construction, might be included in the next granting of construction funds for federal buildings was expressed yesterday in a telegram received at the Chamber of Commerce from Congressman Charles H. Martin.

Martin said that the Ashland project stood on a high priority basis and should be taken care of.

PLAYGROUND PROGRAM WILL KEEP CHILDREN BUSY DURING SUMMER

Under the sponsorship of the S. E. R. A., the playground at the Howard school in the Berrydale district and the city playground at the Bear creek bridge have been put under the supervision of Miss Olivia Todd, Miss Betty Benjamin and Miss Elizabeth Gillings.

Supervision will be conducted daily except Sunday at the city playground between the hours of 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. and at the Howard school, from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. The grounds will not be under supervision on the Fourth of July, it was announced today.

Plans are being made for swimming programs and the baseball games to be sponsored by the American Legion. Donation of balls and bats will be appreciated, it is stated. The baseball tournament is for children 14 or 15 years of age, and all are asked to report if interested.

Plans are also underway for a tennis tournament, a ping-pong tournament, and a horseshoe tournament for the older children. A sewing club for the smaller children is planned for every Friday, and a story hour will be conducted every day for those who care to listen. Volley ball will be played when weather permits.

Oregon Weather
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