

EDITORS ARE COMING

Boosters Arrange for Another Excursion to Klamath

ENTERTAIN WRITERS OF OREGON

Press Association of State Is Desirous of Visiting This Section and Chamber of Commerce Is Already Planning Side Trips for Visitors

Through the efforts of the Klamath Boosters, who recently visited Portland, this section is to be favored with a visit from the Oregon Press Association. The time for the excursion has not yet been set, but it will probably be the latter part of August. On this excursion, if present indications count for anything, there will be at least one hundred of the most prominent journalists of the state of Oregon. J. S. Dellinger, the editor of the Morning Astorian, published at Astoria, is very enthusiastic over the matter. He is the president of the Press Association and will do everything to get a large number of the editors to come on the pleasure trip. The large Portland papers have already agreed to send representatives and among the excursionists will be the best literary men of the state. The excursion will be of untold value to this section from a publicity standpoint. O. R. Ball, the Portland manager of the American Press Association, has agreed to use one of the best articles written by the journalists in issuing the patent prints for customers of the association. This would mean that literature on the Klamath country will go to all sections of the United States.

Arrangements for the excursion are now in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce who have taken the matter of rates up with the railroad officials, and are planning the itinerary for the entertainment of the excursionists after they arrive here. The plan is to have them remain in this county about eight or ten days, during which time side trips will be made to Crater Lake, to the resorts on the Upper lake and to many of the other fishing places. It is also planned to take the editors through the agricultural districts of this section so that they may be able to observe the vast resources of this great empire.

This excursion will be one of the most profitable that this county could

have and the Chamber of Commerce can do inestimable good for the country by carrying it to a successful issue.

BETTER THAN WAS EXPECTED. Hay Harvest Almost Up to Average In All Sections.

C. T. Oliver and J. B. Fisher, of the Mascot Implement House, have just returned from a trip through the upper country. They say that on all sides can be seen haying crews at work in the harvest fields. In that section of the county scarcely any kind but grain hay is grown and the yield is almost up to the average. Some of the fields are rather poor, but in most places the yield is better than was expected a few weeks ago. The farmers are not as discouraged as they were in the early part of the season when things looked gloomy on account of the coldness of the weather and the scarcity of moisture. The wild hay in Langel valley is reported short, but of good quality and the yield is better than a half crop. Under the irrigation ditches the hay yield is better this year than it was last year. The grain too is looking well and the farmers feel jubilant over the prospects. Considering the general conditions Mr. Oliver states that there is a good demand for farm machinery and the ranchers as a class are not in dire need of money. He says his observations of this section compared with the reports coming from other districts makes him feel thankful that he lives in one of the best sections of the Pacific Coast.

H. Wells, who has charge of Maney Brothers & Co., contract, states that they are getting along nicely with the work and that they will finish the job ahead of schedule time. They have until November 15th to complete the contract, but will be through by November 1st, he thinks.

President Roosevelt May Hunt in Klamath Mountains

Klamath has already had the distinction of entertaining a number of prominent personages, but the announcement is now made that this section is to receive a visit from the most conspicuous figure in America, President Roosevelt himself. Klamath's line hunting has attracted the attention of all of the nimrods of the country, and the President is now contemplating a trip into this section to go on a bear hunt. The plans are yet in their infancy and before it is definitely decided that the President will come here John B. Goff, the special guide of the President on his Colorado hunt, will come here and

make a thorough investigation. Parties residing in this city have received word from Meeker, Colo., the home of Mr. Goff, stating that he will be here shortly to inspect the section in order to make a report to the President. It is the intention of the chief executive of the nation to visit this section, if the report is favorable, before he starts on his African trip.

Reports from all sections of the country are that deer and bear are more plentiful than they have been for several years and if the best hunting grounds are pointed out to Mr. Goff it is very probable that Klamath will be favored with a visit from one of the most prominent men of today.

Four Bids Received on South Branch Canal Extension

At two o'clock this afternoon at the local office of the Reclamation Service were opened the bids on the extension of the South Branch canal. Four bids were received. Maney Brothers & Company, who are now working on a part of the canal, bid on all five schedules, their bid being \$24,369.60. W. H. Mason of this city also bid on all of the schedules, his total bid being \$22,703.90; Capt. J. M. McIntire bid on schedule four only his bid being \$4311.30, while Hard

& Johnson bid on schedule eight only, their bid being \$4560.50.

The five schedules on which bids were asked comprise the extension of the South Branch so that it will connect with the Adams system. In all it requires the digging of seven miles of canal. The board of engineers has taken no action in regard to the acceptance or rejection of any or all of the bids and it will be a few days until such action will be taken.

Secretary Taft Officially Notified of His Nomination

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 28.—William H. Taft was today officially notified of his nomination for President by the Republican National Convention at Chicago. The notification speech was made by Senator William Warner of Missouri, who said in part:

"I cannot, sir, complete the discharge of this most agreeable duty without assuring you of the high respect in which you are held not only by those of your own political faith, but by your fellow citizens without regard to party—of their admiration of your ability, manifested throughout your public service; of their knowledge of the preparation which will bring to the discharge of the high and difficult duties of President; of their belief in your deep conviction of the equality of all men before the law, and in the practical application of that principle by any administration of which you may be the head, the rule by which every official act of Mr. Roosevelt as President, has been squared, which has won for him the confidence and respect of his countrymen throughout the land, and which has brought to him at all times their unquestioned and earnest support. It was his universal application of the rule which caused his party, in National convention, to pay him the following just and splendid tribute of approval."

In replying to the speech of Senator Warner, Mr. Taft said in part:

"Senator Warner and gentlemen of the Committee—I am deeply sensible of the honor which the Republican National convention conferred upon me in the nomination which you formally tender. I accept it with the full appreciation of the responsibility it imposes.

"Gentlemen, the strength of the Republican cause in the campaign at hand is in the fact that we represent policies essential to the reform of known abuses, to the continuance of liberty and to prosperity and that we are determined to maintain them

and carry them on. "For more than ten years this country has passed through an epoch of material development far beyond any that have ever occurred in the world before. In its course certain evils have crept in.

"The man who formulated the expression of the popular conscience and who led the movement for practical reform was President Roosevelt. He laid down the doctrine that the rich violator of the law should be as amenable to restraint and to punishment as the offender without wealth and without influence and he proceeded by recommending legislation and directing executive action, to make that principle good in actual performance."

Opera House Tonight.

"Case of Arson," a realistic illustration of fire fiends at work. "Barrell is Barrell," comic. "Mr. Hurry-up from New York." "Price of a Kiss."

For Sale—Homestead Relinquishment

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Enquire of E. E. FITCH, 25-144 Merrill, Oregon.

Klamath county berries are now in the market. The yield is very good and the berries are of excellent quality. Berries of all kinds should be grown here more extensively than they are for the climate here is especially adapted to their growth.

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MUST OBSERVE LAWS

Land Office Renders Decisions Adverse to Settlers

COMMUTATION PROOFS REJECTED

Merely Residing on Claim Is Not Complying With Homestead Laws—Lands Must Be Cultivated and Substantial Improvements Made on Some

Homestead stock has tumbled again. Pierce Evans, the attorney for the plaintiffs, has received decisions from the Register and Receiver of the Lakeview Land Office in the cases of Benedict vs. Lundy and Newton vs. Yaden. The evidence in both of these cases was taken before the county clerk of this county in June and the decisions of Lakeview officials, which have just been rendered, are both adverse to the homesteaders who commuted on the lands involved about two years before the contests were instituted.

The affidavits of contest alleged that the parties had not actually established residence on the lands and that they had not cultivated and improved the same in accordance with the homestead laws. In the case of Clarence G. Benedict vs. Carrie Lundy the officials held that the laws were not complied with and that the claim was taken mainly for the timber and the commutation proof was therefore rejected and the entry held for cancellation. In the case of Obie J. Newton vs. Nellie Boyd-Yaden the proof was rejected on account of the land being heavily timbered, its not being suitable for agricultural purposes and because a residence had not been established and maintained in good faith.

Both of these claims were filed on some five years ago and the parties making entry resided on them and made commutation proof, but patents have not been issued.

The Register and Receiver have rendered opinions in the contest cases of Lon Evans vs. Edward Brady and Ray Evans vs. A. Stallworth; the decisions were received this morning by C. F. Stone, attorney for the contestants, and in each case the local office recommends that the homestead entry be cancelled. These homesteads were situated near the California line and are valuable chiefly for farming purposes. The testimony in the contests was taken before Geo. Chastain, last March. The contests were of considerable local interest and more than a dozen witnesses from Dorris and vicinity were examined in each case. In these cases the contestants re-

lief on the lack of cultivation to support the charge of abandonment; there was but little dispute on the question of residence. Each homesteader had made his entry his home for a considerable portion of the time since taking the land but he failed to cultivate the land to any appreciable extent. It was contended on the part of the contestees that if it could not be shown that the homesteads had been abandoned for more than six months at any one period that the claim of abandonment could not be sustained, but the Register and Receiver are of the opinion that cultivation of the land is as much a requisite as residence and that failure to cultivate the land makes it subject to contest.

SEARCHED IN VAIN.

Returning Party Finds No Trace of Man Living in Woods.

J. C. Smith and F. D. Skinner have returned from a trip to Buck lake and also to Spencer creek, where they went to find the man who is reported to live in the woods in that section. Mr. Smith says he is of the opinion that the man was there last spring as was reported by some of the settlers in that section and he thinks he is still there, but believes him dead. He says they put in some time searching for the recluse, but owing to the thick growth of brush it was impossible to cover any area. After giving up the search for the mysterious man they went to Buck lake, where they killed two fine deer.

Back From the Woods.

Fred Houston, J. E. Bodge, Carey Ramaby and A. and Clyde Hardenbrook returned today from a two weeks' trip to the hills. They all had the appearance of wild men, and judging from the shaggy beards one of them may have been mistaken for the Spencer creek terror. They report a very successful hunt and succeeded in killing all of the deer they wanted.

Pocketbook found—Owner can have same by calling at the Pantatorium and proving ownership.



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