

## SWAMPS RECLAIMED

### Railroad Dyke Drains Nearly Fifty Thousand Acres

With the Completion of the Headgates at the Channel and the Building of Laterals the Water Flow Can Be Controlled and Lands Sub-irrigated

It is estimated that 50,000 acres of marsh land will be practically reclaimed by the dyke, which the South Pacific company is throwing up over their railroad bed across the northern part of the county. As this dyke will be completed this fall it will mean that this immense body of rich land will be ready for crops next year. The only source of water for the Lower Lake is from the overflow of the Klamath river, which runs through the channel which connects the river with the lake. When the water is high in the river it raises the water in the lake and overflows the adjoining lands. During the dry season at this time of the year the water flows back to the river and lowers the lake to a considerable extent.

Soils in the marshes are well supplied with fertility elements, and should early respond to cultivation. The building of the canal system contemplates the drainage of the marsh or tule lands of the project, and their ultimate cultivation. The marsh soils, in a measure, imitate the marsh soils of the great Sacramento valley, carrying, however, less river silt, since these soils are in the main lake sediments. The subduing of the marsh land will require intelligence and experience, though the possibilities of this type of land, once under cultivation, are obviously very great.

### Arrested for Stealing

Al Harrison, the Second Hand Store man, was arrested today on a warrant sworn out by Allen Sloan. Over a month ago, Mr. Sloan lost a pack of blankets, clothing, shoes and other articles, which he had gathered together to take on his hunting trip into the mountains. The pack was left on the sidewalk in the east end of town for a few minutes. When he came back with the team the pack was gone and no trace could be found.

Yesterday Sloan noticed Harrison wearing a pair of new boots, which he claims are the ones he lost. A search warrant was secured and the second hand store searched last night resulting in finding the blanket and a few other articles. Harrison claims that his brother sent him the boots from Portland. He will have his hearing this afternoon, the case being set for 4 o'clock.

### Notice to Associate Members.

The Klamath Falls Military Band Club gives its first dance of the season on Saturday evening, September 5, 1908. Associate members are expected to attend without special invitations.

### DRESSMAKING—Plain and Fancy.

Sewing, cutting and fitting. The latest French Tailoring System. Mrs. F. E. Johnston, over Stults' Store 31-1wk

## Big War Predicted In Oregon Between Railroad Kings

James J. Hill's acquisition within the past week of the controlling interest in the Oregon Trunk Line up the canyon of the Deschutes river, coupled with the fact that two crews of engineers were immediately sent into the field, is stated by those close to the workings of the railroad king to be the bugle call for one of the biggest railroad wars which has ever been known on the coast.

Both Hill and Harriman have suddenly turned their attentions to building a line from the Columbia into Crook county. Hill has purchased the controlling interest of the Oregon Trunk—a line projected up the Deschutes—and Saturday threw two crews of surveyors into the field. Harriman has already announced his intention of building into Central Oregon without loss of time.

Both, evidently, are striving for the strategic entrance into the interior through the canyon of the Deschutes. Hill has threatened before to invade Harriman's preserves. The northbank road was the first stroke. His apparent intention to immediate construction into Central Oregon is believed to be the second stroke. Harriman also has two crews of engineers in the same field.

The Deschutes canyon offers the most practical, shortest and cheapest route into the district which has suddenly sprung into great prominence as the goal of the two greatest railroad builders in the world. Hence, activity on the part of both Hill and Harriman forecasts a campaign of railroad ingenuity which seldom falls to the lot of Oregon to witness. —Portland Journal.

## HARRIMAN WILL DEPART TOMORROW MORNING

Trunks and Heavy Baggage Were Brought Down Today—Ladies and Guests Leave Saturday

E. H. Harriman will leave his summer home at Pelican Bay in the morning. He will be brought to the upper landing in his private launch and after a brief stay in this city will go down the river and board his private car Arden, which is awaiting him at Astor.

Part of Mr. Harriman's outfit arrived late this afternoon, including six trunks, typewriters, maps, office equipment, and other heavy baggage. This was transferred to the launch Kwana, and will be taken to the railroad tonight. Mr. Harriman's two colored cooks came down from the Bay on the boat this afternoon

and will go out on the stage in the morning, awaiting the arrival of the party at Weed.

Mrs. Harriman and the ladies and guests of the party will not leave the lodge until Saturday. It is reported that the ladies will return East at once, while Mr. Harriman will stop at Medford, Albany, Salem and several of the Willamette towns.

It is stated that Mr. Harriman is looking five years younger than on his arrival in this section. He has completely recovered from his attack of rheumatism, and has been enjoying long horseback rides every day.

## MILK DEPOT FOR KLAMATH FALLS

W. L. Ford Buys Milk From Altamont Dairy and Starts Distributing Point

W. L. Ford is planning to start a milk depot in Klamath Falls. He has secured the supply of milk from the Altamont dairy and does the distributing of the milk in this city. As soon as he secures a larger supply he will open a depot and office here, from which deliveries can be made and where patrons can leave their orders.

Mr. Ford states that at present he hasn't milk to supply the trade and cream is out of the question. He is going to try and secure milk from the farmers in the valley, and this with the supply from the Altamont dairy will probably be sufficient for the family trade. So many of the farmers sell to the creamery that it is a hard matter to get milk for use.

There has been a general kick in this city for a few days, by those who have to depend on the dairy, on account of their inability to get milk and cream. Some have been able to get half what they wanted and others have been shut off entirely. There was a rumor that Klamath Falls was having a milk famine, and many of the families have been looking around for milk cows. It is hoped that Mr. Ford will be able to work out a solution to the problem, so as to be able to supply the city with plenty of milk. It is not known what disposition Mr. Willard will make of the milk from the Riverside dairy since the change in handling the Altamont milk. Previous to this the one dairy handled both supplies.

## HAVE CHARGE OF ALL CONCESSIONS

D. E. Burrell, an old Amusement Director Secured by Carnival Committee

The Klamath Falls Street Fair and Carnival will be held one week, commencing October 12th and ending on Saturday the 17th. The date was set at a meeting of the Committee held yesterday afternoon.

The Committee has secured the services of D. E. Burrell, who will have charge of the Carnival concessions and amusements. Mr. Burrell is an old and experienced amusement director and is well recommended. He has been identified with the amusement business for many years, having conducted a good many of the most successful carnivals in the west. The public is assured that there will be something doing every hour in the day and part of the night from Monday morning until Saturday night.

All of the vacant buildings in the city will be secured for exhibits and displays. It is planned to have exhibits of products from every section of the county. Prizes will be awarded not only for individual displays but for the best collection of exhibits from the several sections of the county.

### More Forest Fires

J. F. Kimball, representative of the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company, arrived from Bly this noon and has gone to the Clover creek country to investigate the fire raging in that district. Mr. Johnson, the fire warden of that section, sent to this city for eight men yesterday to help him fight

## MEETING TOMORROW

### Stockholders of Water Users at Opera House Hall

A Very Quiet and Harmonious Meeting Expected With Small Attendance—Contentment Among Land Owners Since Clear Lake Work Started

The fire, Mr. Kimball was just about to start for Silver Lake from Bly when he received word of the fire breaking out anew and he immediately returned.

The forest fires in the Yamsey mountain country have been raging for several weeks. Considerable timber is being destroyed and very little effort is being made to stop the spread of the flames. Most of the Indians are at the buckberry patch this season of the year and the Reservation authorities find it almost impossible to get anyone to fight the fire. The Indians seem to prefer picking berries to fighting fire. Mr. Kimball states that a fire started on the Bly mountain, but that they succeeded in getting it under control and have left men to watch it. One of the greatest needs of the country just at present is rain.

## Medford Wants No Street Cars

For the second time within the year Medford citizens at the polls on Monday turned down the proposition to grant a street railway franchise by a vote of 99 to 216. But little electorship was done and the conflicting election slogans were: "Grant a 50-year franchise and have one mile of road in operation within a year," and "A city franchise will cut out immediate chances for an interurban line."

Rapidly increasing population and the volume of business within a radius of 20 miles from Medford indicate that the day will soon come when a line must encircle the valley, and the amount of business in Medford alone will justify the building of such a line, but for the time being at least the large majority saw fit to vote against granting the franchise.

The Band Club's dance, which will be given Saturday evening, promises to be a great success. This is the first dance of the season and the boys are planning a big time. Several of the latest selections of dance music have been secured and the orchestra has been practicing for several weeks. They will have something special in the music line.

The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Klamath Water Users Association will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the opera house. The meeting in June almost ended in a row. At least it was quite a warm session, at which resolutions favoring Congressional investigations and other sensational departures were introduced, but the opposition finally secured an adjournment without any action being taken.

It was supposed that something would be done at the adjourned meeting tomorrow, but everything has been quiet for several weeks, and it is now the belief that nothing of importance will take place. Since the commencement of work on the Clear Lake reservoir, there has been a feeling of more general satisfaction. When nothing was being done in the Upper country, the people there felt that they were justified in entering a kick, but now it is believed that nearly all of the farmers feel disposed to discourage any attempt to do anything that might delay the work on the project in any way.

Parties from the country say that the farmers do not seem to be much interested in the coming meeting. The most of them are busy with their crops and are satisfied with present conditions and indications are that the attendance will be light.

### Want to Compromise.

Most of the day's session of the County Court has been taken up in the discussion of the 1908 tax suit of the California & Oregon Land Company. Mr. H. A. Hunter, president of the company which owns the lands, has been before the Board and an effort is being made to have the matter compromised. The Board seems disposed to insist on the payment of the entire taxes as assessed, and the chances are not very favorable for any compromise.

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