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WATER USERS ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE MEETING AT SALT LAKE CITY

KLAMATH IS REPRESENTED

Resolutions Adopted Asking for Extension of Time of Payment and Other Changes.

J. G. Stevenson and N. S. Merrill, delegates selected by the board of directors of the Water Users' association to attend the convention of water users in Salt Lake City, returned last evening. Mr. Stevenson was interviewed by a representative of this paper last evening as to the results accomplished by the convention, and stated as follows:

"Representative from ten big irrigation projects in the West were present at the convention, which was held in Wilson's hotel, Salt Lake City. The meeting was called by the water users of the Truckee-Carson project, and Fulton H. Sears was made temporary chairman of the meeting, with Frank D. Reayer as secretary. There is no federation of the water users of the different projects, and the question of forming an association will be brought before the representatives.

"The substance of the resolutions passed up by the committee is that the water users of the projects will be expected to pay the estimated cost of the reclamation engineers, instead of the actual cost, and also that the time of the payments be extended from ten to twenty years. The recommendations were made to benefit the projects and are important because of the many big projects represented.

"Those present and the projects represented were: J. G. Stevenson and N. S. Merrill, Klamath; D. D. Davis and H. G. Stewart, North Platte; Frank S. Rokeyer, Orland; J. S. McBeth, J. M. Creer and L. Lytel, Strawberry Valley; C. A. Shaefer, Garden City, Kan.; L. E. Swann, Milk River; G. M. Thomas,

Williston, N. D.; Fulton H. Sears, Truckee-Carson; C. A. Wittmer, Buford-Trenton, W. E. Obert and J. T. Tobin, Uncompahgre.

"The resolutions passed were as follows:

Appreciating the intent of the honorable secretary of the interior and the United States senate committee on irrigation to verse themselves on the actual conditions existing in the construction of the various government reclamation projects by personally inspecting the works and hearing complaints by personal meeting with the settlers interested.

Therefore, the representatives of the following projects: The Klamath, North Platte Valley, Strawberry Valley, Garden City, Milk River, Williston, Truckee-Carson, Orland-Unit, Buford-Trenton, Uncompahgre Valley, in meeting assembled in Salt Lake City, this 8th day of September, 1909, present these urging needs of the people connected with the foregoing projects:

"We heartily endorse the reclamation law and appreciate the beneficial results obtained from the reclamation of the arid lands by the government.

But, whereas, the people who accepted the government proposition to construct irrigating systems under the act of congress of June 17, 1902, did so assuming that the law as passed was mandatory in its provisions and conclusive in statement.

And, whereas, relying upon the act and statements made by the government engineers as the source of our information on what we were to receive:

And, whereas, relying upon the law, and estimates furnished us by the government engineers, we voluntarily signed contracts for water and pledged our land and homes for the payment thereof;

And, whereas, after these contracts had been secured, based on the estimated cost of the engineers, the reclamation law has been interpreted that the actual cost instead of the estimated cost of construction is charged against the land.

And, whereas, these liens on the land and homes were given on the estimated cost furnished by the government engineers;

And, whereas, section 4 of the reclamation law specifies that the said charges shall be determined with a view of returning to the reclamation fund the estimated cost of construction, and that only;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the estimated cost of projects on which these liens were secured be the amount the settlers and water users should be required to pay.

We beg further to recommend the following changes in the reclamation law:

First—That the time of payments for construction charges be extended from ten to twenty payments, or in lieu thereof that the water users be given the use of water for three or five years without charge, or a form of graduated payments be adopted to enable the settlers to get the land under cultivation and on a paying basis and making it possible for them to meet their obligations.

Second—That the first clause of section No. 6 of the irrigation act be interpreted as mandatory that operating and maintenance charge be

paid from the reclamation fund as provided in said section 6.

Third—That the engineers of reclamation projects be required to make a statement quarterly of the amount expended and for what purpose.

Fourth—We recommend that the residence restriction as imposed by section 5 of the irrigation act be removed.

Fifth—That the operation of the homestead law be restored, so that final proof may be made either by commutation or by settlement, and when so made patents shall be issued therefor, subject to the government lien for construction charges.

Sixth—That the co-operative plan of construction, as heretofore in operation, be legalized and operated under government supervision.

Seventh—We beg to submit to your honorable body that these recommendations are based on actual experience, and by men who are actual water users and owners of land pledged to the government for the payment of construction charges, and therefore we trust that these will be given due consideration.

The foregoing resolutions were passed without any friction whatever, as the convention thought the projects needed some relief.

In speaking of this section as compared with other sections of the country through which he had passed on his trip, Mr. Stevenson stated:

"There is no discount on Klamath county. In traveling through California I didn't see any crops, outside of fruit, that could compare with our products here. Our alfalfa and grain are away ahead of anything I saw on my entire trip. The fruit crop around Salt Lake City was badly damaged by an early frost. The fruit industry in this country is behind in its development, as compared with other sections, but I look for a rapid advancement in this line as the country settles up; which, with its wonderful resources, is an assured fact."

Sale on blue and white Jap cups and saucers at Deal next Saturday after. See window display.

For fresh lime, call at George Biehn's.

ALOKA CHAPTER, O. E. S.

All officers and members are urged to be present Tuesday evening, September 14th. Visiting members are cordially invited to attend. By order of Worthy Matron.

LULU STRAW, Secretary.

Souvenir spoons of Crater lake, the high school and Klamath Falls. At McHattan's.

BENSON IS INTERESTED

NATIONAL FARM LAND CONGRESS ATTRACTS ATTENTION

TYPICAL AMERICAN METHOD

Congress Means to Give Needed Information to People Leaving the City for the Farm.

The National Farm Land Congress which will convene at Chicago in November is attracting wide-spread attention, and interests Gov. Benson of this State. The object of this convention is to secure reliable information from different localities as to farming conditions which is to be distributed among home seekers in the East. The following article, taken from the San Francisco Examiner, sets forth the object of this convention and the information desired:

Governors of States, United States Senators, Representatives in Congress and men high in the commercial and transportation circles of the country are enthusiastically backing the National Land Congress to be held in Chicago in November. This interest is aroused by the fact that the coming congress is typical of a new movement in American life—a movement toward the farm, toward farm life and agricultural pursuits.

The convention has the promotion of the farming movement as its object. But it is going to promote in a new way. It will encourage the development of farms and farm homes by placing before the home seeker exact information about farming conditions.

The farm land movement is now on. It is one of the strongest features of American life today. All over the Eastern States men are seeking investments in Western farm land. Homeseekers are coming West, turning their attention to the millions of acres of Western farm land awaiting development into prosperous home sites.

But there have been failures among colonists. These failures, though not numerous, have been caused by ignorance of conditions. No man should fail to secure a competence, should fail of success upon farming land, if he understands farming conditions before he becomes a farmer.

The National Farm Land Congress means to prevent such failures, to reduce the already small proportion of failures to the minimum. It means to do this by placing before the prospective colonist the exact conditions he must meet when he becomes a farmer.

Here is what the man contemplating migration to any point for the purpose of winning fortune from the soil wants to know and must know. These are the things the National Farm Land congress means to investigate and upon which the prospective farmer is to be informed:

First, he will want to know what are his chances for the creation of a profitable business in any line of agriculture; and, second, the conditions under which he will live while building his fortune or competency.

All information bearing on these two points is of first importance. The kinds of farming most probably done in any locality.

How and from whom shall he secure his land, its cost and terms of payment?

What public lands, if any, are to be had, and how gotten?

Character of soil and climate, and conditions as to rainfall.

Labor and transportation conditions.

Average profits and degree of certainty with which he may expect those profits year after year.

Social conditions which will surround himself and family, and the kind of people with whom they will come in contact.

School and church facilities.

In short, what are the problems he must work out in any given locality?

To secure this information it is planned to bring 1,000 delegates together at the coming congress. Only men who can give accurate information about the farm lands in their States are to be delegates.

Hundreds of men throughout the country, realizing the importance of the land movement and of the Farm Land congress, are interesting themselves in its success.

Governor Frank Benson of Oregon is one of these, realizing the immense advantage to his State of the publicity that will be given the proceedings of the congress. The Hearst newspapers and magazines are interested in this congress. Smaller newspapers everywhere are watching eagerly for the facts to be developed. Magazines will give the results publicity. Millions of men will read of the opportunities presented by the farm lands of the country, and especially those of the great West.

If there ever was a chance for Klamath county to take advantage of a golden opportunity, it is in this convention. With countless acres of splendid soil awaiting only the developing hand, which can be obtained for a mere pittance, Klamath county can furnish information to this convention that would cause a sensation. Reliable information about Klamath county and its resources, furnished in the proper form to this congress, would solve the problem of populating this section. It behooves us to get in communication with Governor Benson at once.

The reason E. W. Gillette can't come after those mattresses to do over is because of a carload of furniture that had to be unloaded today, but he will send for them as soon as possible.

HAD DEATH OF MRS. DAN MALLOY

That grim reaper, Death, has again visited our little city, and with his sickle keen cut down another flower that we are loth to spare.

The home of our big-hearted neighbor and genial citizen, Dan Malloy, was made one of sorrow Saturday afternoon, when his kind and loving helpmate, Lena Malloy, was stricken down in death. She had been ill but a few short days, and no one feared the worst, even up to the very last, as she had not been confined to her bed until Saturday. Her death was caused by an abscess in the throat, originating from a slight attack of quinsy.

Mrs. Malloy was reared in Klamath Falls, where her mother, Mrs. Heldrick, now resides. A few years prior to her marriage, about seven years ago, she moved to Lakeview, where she has since resided.

Not only will this sweet and lovable character be missed by her many friends and neighbors, but by a little boy and girl who are sadly deprived of a mother's tender love.

Lena Malloy was born in Klamath Falls 23 years ago, where her parents were among the pioneers of the state.

Besides her husband, Dan Malloy, and two children, Blair and Kathleen, aged respectively five and one and one-half years, to mourn her loss, she leaves a mother, two brothers and two sisters.

The funeral took place from the family residence at 2:30 Monday afternoon.

ernoon, Rev. Father O'Malley officiating. A large concourse of admiring friends followed the remains to their last resting place in I. O. O. F. cemetery.

There were many beautiful floral tributes betokening the love and esteem in which this exemplary life was held.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the sorrowing husband and relatives in their bereavement.—Lakeview Herald.

VOTING AT THE OPERA HOUSE

A large audience applauded the final performance of "Patsy," the clever comedian and slick wire walker. The voting last night was well divided, though No. 29 still maintains the lead. A comedy reel showing the "Advantages of Aviation," in which a young lady leaves her home in an aeroplane through the window to keep rendezvous with her lover, despite the protests of her husband. "An Uninvited Guest" with the police close at his heels, breaks unexpectedly into a masquerade ball.

An extra attraction, a series entitled "Washington and the British Flag," will be shown tonight. Then "The Faithful Old Horse" and a wonderful film showing the manufacturing of steel rails. A new illustrated songs and new music.

AT THE IRIS

A ladies' gold watch is to be given away at the Iris theater Monday, September 20th, to the one holding the lucky number. Coupons given every night with each admission ticket. The watch is on exhibition in the window of Winter's jewelry store.

Tonight there will be a new series of pictures which are for the finest ever shown in this city. The propensity of Americans to laugh at funny things is encouraged by one film, especially—"Ben's Kid," in which a young baby becomes the property of a bunch of cowboys and their understanding of baby ways proves inadequate to the emergency. They call for the assistance of the Judge of the court, and if the distracted mother had not arrived in time the poor kid would have had a rough time of it. Another baby gets lost in a folding bed, and compromises an unsuspecting man. There's fun galore in the funny films and that's what knocks off the day's grouches and sends us home lighter hearted. But there's sad things, too, and fine historical instruction in other pictures—something to please everybody. There is to be an exhibition of good boxing for three rounds tonight, which you cannot fail to enjoy. Admission ten cents as usual.

AT McHATTAN'S.

I am going to have a window sale. I need money awful bad. Stop and see the goods displayed. If you are interested, come in. No trouble to show you the goods.

AT McHATTAN'S.

A new \$550 piano, case slightly damaged, for half price; also bargains in other pianos, at Virgil's furniture store.

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT

HILL IS HEADED FOR THE KLAMATH COUNTRY

MAY BE BRANCH TO LEKEVIEW

Route to California Via Klamath Is the Natural One, and Will Undoubtedly Be Followed.

"James J. Hill is going to build a main line down into Klamath county, and is going to put between 5,000 and 6,000 men at work constructing the same as soon as they can be taken care of," is the remark made by Engineers Wakefield and Millican, who are in charge of Hill's surveying corps between Bend and Oqell, to Charles Graves of Crescent, who is in the city today. Mr. Graves is in the city to confer with the county officials in regard to getting the county court to make an appropriation for repairing and building roads in the northern end of the county.

When asked as to what the railroad situation was around Crescent, he said: "Hill has two corps of surveyors between Bend and Crescent. Engineer Millican is in charge of the Crescent end of the survey, and Engineer Wakefield is in charge of the Bend end. The two crews are composed of about twenty men each. Engineer Millican informed me that in three weeks' time he would commence the work of actual location of the line and would rush the survey through just as fast as possible. He, with his party, is now located in township 27 range 8, which is about 45 miles north of Ft. Klamath, and is working towards Bend. The surveyors make no pretensions at hiding their identity, and state openly that they are Hill's men. They also state that it is Hill's intention to put between 5,000 and 6,000 men at work on this line, which will be a main line, just as soon as arrangements can be made for their care. It is my opinion, from what I have heard and the personal knowledge I have of the country, that Hill's main line will follow

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