

\$716,000 FOR THE KLAMATH PROJECT FOR NEXT YEAR

ABOMINABLE SERVICE

OTHER COMPLAINT MADE ABOUT SERVICE AT WEED

MINORABLE ACCOMMODATION

Something should be Done to Bring Them to the Attention of the Railroad Officials

During the recent derangement of the train service due to the cave-in of the tunnel near Dunsmuir, it was brought forcibly to the attention of those who were unfortunate enough to have been forced to travel in or out of this city that the accommodations at Weed are of such a character as to be a disgrace to the Southern Pacific. One of the worst of these unfavorable conditions was the utter impossibility of passengers to ascertain the hour of arrival and departure of trains, and the apparently resolute determination of the employees to make it as uncomfortable as possible for the travelers. It was recognized that the railroad company was struggling with a huge task, and every allowance was made for this, but in no way could the difficulties near Dunsmuir be stretched to give warrant to the employees at Weed to cause to travelers the amount of inconvenience and discomforts experienced at that station.

The chief complaint was the inability to ascertain the time and departure of trains. Women and children were forced to remain all night in the small, poorly-ventilated waiting room without fire. The nights were cold, and so many passengers there that some were even forced to wait outside in the cold.

Another matter of complaint, not only during the blockade, but at all times, is the fact that the passenger coach running between Weed and this

city is kept locked until leaving time, forcing passengers to remain outside until that hour. During this time of year this rule should be dispensed with. The car should be kept warm and open, at least a reasonable time before departure. This has been a source of complaint for months, and should be removed. It would be advisable for the directors of the Chamber of Commerce to bring these matters to the proper officials, and have them remedied. It is not the man "higher up" who is to blame, but the subordinate who too often stretches regulations to suit his own convenience. This may not be the case in this instance, and if it is not, then the efforts of the Chamber should be directed toward securing a rule that will relieve the employees from the complaints of the traveling public.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Two Biograph films, "The Deception," a very delightful little comedy, and "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," a clever dramatic comedy, taken from "Young Mrs. Winthrop." The acting of the players in these two films is so superb that you can understand their words when they speak. Another comedy, "A Bad Case," and "Visions of Mother," lovely and pathetic. "Little Red Riding Hood" will interest the children. "Pompeii," buried by a volcanic eruption of Vesuvius August 24, 79 A. D., and not until 1748 was any excavating done, at which time a peasant found some valuable relics while digging a well. Since that time a vast amount of work has been done, and the city is now practically restored. The pictures of Pompeii are introduced by a series taken from an American man-of-war at the time of the eruption of Mt. Pelee.

A marriage license was issued Friday evening from the county clerk's office to Nelson L. Smith and Della May Melhase, both residents of this county, their homes being on the Merrill road.

SUM IS TENTATIVELY ALLOTTED

HERE TO RE-RATE CITY

W. A. NEWMAN OF UNDERWRITERS' RATING BUREAU

REDUCTION IMPOSSIBLE NOW

Large Mains, More Hydrants Necessary Together Necessary to any Substantial Reduction.

W. A. Newman of the Underwriters Equitable Rating Bureau of Oregon, who has been in the city for several days looking into re-rating the town, said today that though there would be a small reduction of the fire insurance rates, it could not possibly be as large as it would if the city were properly supplied with hydrants and proper fire precautions. The hydrants should not be further apart than 150 feet in the fire district, which runs 120 feet deep on either side of Main street. There should be greater force than is now supplied by the one 6-inch main on Main street. If, as is proposed, there is another and larger main put in on Klamath avenue, with cross pipes connecting the two on all the side streets, then the pressure would naturally be greatly increased, the chances of a large fire getting started would be lessened and the rate of insurance, which is now very heavy, could be very materially reduced. The city owes this much to the business men who have helped build and boost the growth of the county.

Mr. Newman said, however, that until these changes were made no possible reduction of any size could be contemplated. The insurance companies are willing to reduce the rate only when their risks are lessened in proportion.

DEPENDS ON LANDOWNERS

IF PAR VALUE IS INCREASED MONEY IS ASSURED

THIS PROJECT FARES WELL

Is Well Up Among the Big Ones of the West—Means Early Completion of Project.

Word comes from San Francisco that the tentative allotment for the Klamath project for 1910 is \$716,000. This is the sum that has been set aside by the reclamation service for use on this project next year, and indicates the determination of the officials to rush to completion these works. As is well known, connected with this allotment is a string that may be used in withdrawing a major portion of the money. It has been announced by the government that unless it is given adequate security by the increasing of the capital stock and the placing of the par value of the shares at \$30, only such sum as will be necessary for the running expenses of the Klamath project will be finally set aside for the coming year. This statement has been accepted in some quarters as a threat, but all of the officials, from Secretary Ballinger down, disclaim any intention of threatening the landowners under this project. They simply state that they have no desire to take on hand half a thousand law suits, which might be the case unless the by-laws of the association and the provisions of the reclamation law are complied with.

The tentative allotments for Oregon and California projects for 1910 are as follows: Klamath, \$716,000; Truckee-Carson, \$260,000; Orland, \$440,000; Yuma, \$1,135,000; aggregating \$3,551,000.

It will be seen from these figures that the Klamath project fared well at the hands of the reclamation service. The expenditure of this huge sum will have the effect of bringing a greater degree of prosperity to this county than has been experienced since the time the first contract was let, when business conditions in this city were at their zenith.

All that remains for the securing of this money is compliance with the requests of the government. These have been partially met in the increasing of the capital stock of the association to \$4,000,000. The directors are in special session this afternoon, considering the matter of placing the par value of the shares at \$30. If it is found that this can be done through the placing of the number of shares at 200,000, then it is possible that only a resolution of the board of directors is all that will be necessary to accomplish the desired end. If it cannot be done by the directors, then a meeting of the stockholders can accomplish the task, when it will be unnecessary to have a majority of the stock represented.

Directors' Meeting.

At the special meeting of the directors this afternoon it was decided to issue another call for a session of the stockholders, at which the matter of the par value will again be voted on. No date for the meeting was decided upon, that being left for future consideration.

COL. WILKINS TO RESIGN

BREACH IN THE RANKS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

ALL DUE TO SEWER BONDS

He Is Being Urged to Remain as a Member, and May Possibly Re-consider Decision

Col. M. G. Wilkins, councilman from the First ward, is going to resign. His decision to do so is due to the fact that he is dissatisfied with the manner in which the city has proceeded in the matter of sewerage of the city and paving Main street. These two projects have been hobbies of the Colonel for many years, and when he went back as a member of the council he did so solely for the reason that he thought he would be able to lend his assistance in pushing to an early completion the installation of the sewer system, and thereafter the paving of the main business thoroughfare of the city.

When Mr. Gilmore, the representative of Morris & Co. of Portland, was here he and the mayor passed some severe compliments to each other while an informal meeting of the council was in progress, and the episode resulted in Colonel Wilkins declaring that he no longer desired to be a member of the council; that he wanted results and not talk, and that unless he could see something of that character in the near future he would never again return to the council chamber as a member. After giving the matter further consideration he has decided to resign.

A number of the Colonel's friends are urging him to reconsider his determination and continue to serve the city, but to date he has refused to recede from the stand he has taken. If he should resign the council will have to elect his successor, and there is considerable speculation as to who that will be. The near future is going to see a number of questions of vital importance to the city up for the consideration of the council, and it is felt that the strongest man that can be secured should be elected to fill the vacancy.

The sentiment of a number of business men who have been seen about the contemplated action of Councilman Wilkins have expressed themselves that he should not take such a step at this time. He has been long enough on the council to thoroughly familiarize himself with all phases of the affairs of the city, and is in a better position to serve the city than anyone else would be until they had been several months in the harness. The force of this argument is strong, and it is to be hoped that it will have sufficient influence with Colonel Wilkins to keep him in the council.

SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Services will be held in the several churches of Klamath Falls Sunday as follows:

Church of Sacred Heart—Mass daily at 7:30. Sundays, at 10:30 a. m.

Christian Science Church—Christian Science services will be held in the parlor of the Baldwin building Sunday morning at 11

o'clock. All are cordially invited. The lesson for this meeting will be "Mortals and Immortals."

Grace M. E. Church—Sunday school, 10 a. m., Dr. W. A. Leonard, superintendent.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "The Forward Movement." Evening theme, "Rising with Jesus."

Epworth League at 6:30 p. m., leader, Miss Olga Swingle.

Miss Mamie Boyd will sing "Calvary" during the morning service. Miss Flora Masten sings "Called Thou Thus, O Master."

At the evening service Mr. Cyrus Walker will speak several minutes in the evening on the early pioneer days.

Freebyterian Church

10 a. m., Bible school. The session has been divided into two sides and a contest begins tomorrow for new scholars and for attendance. The side losing entertains the other side on the first Friday evening in February.

11 a. m., Morning worship. The discussion in the morning will be upon "Baptism as it is Taught in the Scriptures."

6:30, Christian Endeavor prayer meeting. All young people of the city are invited.

7:30 p. m., Evening worship. Subject, "Baptism Historically Considered."

Everyone is invited to attend all of the services of the church. Those who are interested in the subject of baptism are especially invited to these two services. GEO. T. PRATT.

Baptist Church

The interest in the revival at the Baptist church is growing with each meeting. Last night was one of the best meetings of the week. Mr. Bledsoe preached a very effective sermon from the subject, "Jesus, Refuge of My Soul." There was a deep spiritual feeling all over the congregation. Mr. E. S. Razor, the noted solo singer, was present. He sang two beautiful solos last night. "I am on the Shining Pathway," and "Jesus, Refuge of My Soul." He has a rich melodious voice, and those who heard him pronounced him the best solo singer they had ever heard in Klamath Falls. Mr. Razor will be present during the rest of the meetings, and will have charge of the music. Rev. C. H. McKee of Medford will also be

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OIL IN THIS VICINITY

F. A. SMITH SAYS THERE ARE TWO WELLS

WITHIN SEVEN MILES OF CITY

Natural Gas Formed; One Either to Produce of Gas or Asphaltum Post Probable Cause

It has several times been asserted that oil exists in the Klamath Basin. At one time a company was organized for the purpose of making experiments, but nothing came of the matter. In talking over the formation of the Klamath country, Mr. F. A. Smith, who is largely interested in lands in this basin, and who has had a number of years' experience in the California oil fields, made the statement that he knew of two wells, one 540 and the other 560 feet deep, within seven miles of Klamath Falls, that are at the present time emitting gas that can be ignited. He further stated that he had discovered crude petroleum in this basin. These matters have made him a firm believer in the future of the Klamath country as an oil district. In discussing the matter Mr. Smith said:

"I am convinced that oil can be struck in several places in the basin. All that is needed is a little enterprise. I will gladly take stock in a company that will make experiments along this line. The gas coming from the wells I have mentioned is due to one of two things, either to the presence of oil or asphaltum. The large post beds prevailing here are against the discovery of oil, and in favor of an asphaltum bed. However, the existence of either would be a valuable discovery."

"Klamath has grand opportunities for cheap gas. The post could be utilized along this line. Its composition is such that gas can be manufactured at a very low cost. I feel certain that the time is coming when Klamath will have extensive oil fields, or else large asphaltum beds. In either event it will mean much to the country. The indications are such that I believe it to be a matter that should be thoroughly investigated."

John Hagelstein is here from Harlow.



A Man

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