

ATTACK ON MAYOR IS UNWARRANTED

NOT IN ACCORD WITH GET-TOGETHER TALK

Statement of Lot Owners Is in Favor of Closing the Ankeny Canal, and Citizens Believe If the Situation Is Met in the Right Spirit That It Can Be Handled With Success—Present Is No Time to Knock

Editor Herald: In this morning's Northwestern is an attack on the mayor's interview which appeared in last night's Herald, regarding the closing of the Ankeny canal. May I remind you all of the beautiful get-together talk we have heard during the last few months? It is not this subject one in which we should get together, if possible, and if not, then not knock?

Some assumptions are made which do not appear to be warranted by the interview. First, it is assumed that nothing can be done because nothing was accomplished by the late administration. That does not follow. The late mayor admitted that he had been ill-advised in the course that was pursued. Then it is assumed that we must wait until we have a new charter. As the mayor has not set out his plan, would it not be better to wait until we hear it, before we decide that it is impracticable. Third, it is assumed that the mayor means to condemn the water rights which will not be surrendered for a reasonable sum. I do not read that into the interview, and do not believe the mayor has any such idea. If he has, of course it is not practical, but I, for one, shall wait to see what his plan is.

It is over six years since the government was first approached in this matter, and in February, 1908, over four years ago, they made the city the proposal to give them 100 inches perpetual water right on condition that the city would assume the obligations of forty inches paid-up rights. This made sixty inches above the obligation, and at the figure set by two of the water right owners, \$1,500 per inch, this would be a small fortune to present to the city. Even at the highest figure at which a water right has been sold, \$75 an inch, this excess would amount to a value of \$4,500. I mention this because I have not seen it stated anywhere else. As I have often heard the remark that the government was trying to unload on the city, and this, too, by men who knew that every move has been made by the citizens. Again, I urge you to get in line, and push, and not knock. I write as a citizen who is deeply interested in seeing this matter closed, for the good of the city.

There are not now forty inches of rights to deal with, for a majority of the owners have signified their willingness to exchange their rights for the return of their rights of way, for no other consideration other than the benefit of the city, or for small sums, all under \$50 each, I believe. Aside from this many of the lot owners have said that they would pay for the return of their rights of way, where they do not own water rights. One man said that he would gladly pay \$100 to have the ditch closed and his right of way returned to him, and that he would fill the ditch across his lots in addition. If all will meet the situation in this spirit, it can be handled, and the city not be out much money except for filling street openings. CITIZEN.

"BE A BOOSTER," SAYS L. JACOBS

PROPERTY OWNER IS GRIEVED TO NOTE THE REVIVAL OF THE KNOCKING SPIRIT—HE ADVOCATES CLUB ORGANIZATION

"If you can't boost, don't knock." L. Jacobs, well known Klamath Falls property owner, is out with the foregoing motto. He's in earnest, too, and declares that the residents of this city must get together.

"There is a discordant note somewhere," said Mr. Jacobs this morning, "and it grieves me. Just as we were about to pull together in the right spirit, along comes a knocker. I urge that some sort of an organization be perfected, not a chamber of commerce or a commercial club, but something new. Get up some sort of an association that will have for its purpose the boosting of the Klamath country. Engage a live secretary, who may be trusted to go East and herald the truth concerning this country. We want nothing but the truth said. That is good enough."

Mr. Jacobs spends most of his time in Portland, but his large property interests here require his presence here frequently.

Saved His Neck Ira Dye suffered a serious mishap yesterday when he fell from a scaffold and severely sprained his ankle. At first it was thought bones were broken, but examination showed it was only a bad sprain.—Summit Lookout.

WILSON IS HELD UP FOR SCORN

TRUE BELIEFS OF CANDIDATE DECLARED BY RODENBURG

Speaker Declares That Democrat Is Against Organized Labor and Is Friendly to Chinese Labor—Action of Bryan at Baltimore Is Criticized and the Great Commoner Is Called Unfaithful

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., July 26.—Representative Rodenburg of Illinois discussed Woodrow Wilson's writings in the house today.

He called Wilson "anti-Jefferson, anti-labor, anti-soldier, pro-Chinese candidate for the presidency."

He referred to Wilson's baccalaureate sermon on organized labor, and commented that he did not agree with Professor Wilson that trade unionists are unprofitable servants.

The speaker said he did not agree with Wilson that the unionist is trying to "give as little as he may for his wages." He quoted the old Wilson letter criticizing Bryan, and added: "This is his honest opinion of Bryan and Bryanism; yet today he is prepared to don the sackcloth and ashes, and eat out of the hand of the man he denounced as an untried claimer."

Rodenburg then roasted Bryan. He said that for "sixteen years Bryan has been democracy's old man of the sea. An impartial historian will write of the betrayal of Clark at Baltimore as marking the acme of perfidy, the culmination of political treachery."

TAFT'S VETOED BILL PASSES IN SENATE

LA FOLLETTE SECURES PASSAGE OF BILL IDENTICAL WITH A MEASURE VETOED BY PRESIDENT A YEAR AGO

WASHINGTON, July 26.—The La Follette wool bill, which passed the senate yesterday, is identical with the bill vetoed by President Taft a year ago. House leaders intend either to accept the bill or modify it only slightly, thereby "putting the president in a hole."

Senator La Follette admits that the bill is based on the report of the tariff board.

President Taft is expected to veto the measure.

It is believed that the democrats and progressives may unite further and pass the sugar revision and income tax bills.

THE MIKADO STILL HOLDS HIS OWN

TOKIO, July 26.—The mikado is weaker today. Otherwise his condition is unchanged. Prince Katura telegraphed today that he is returning from Russia. The mikado's temperature is 100.4-10, and his pulse is 100.

New County Court House to Cost \$165,000 Scenic Location and Equipment Unusual



AS THE KLAMATH COUNTY COURT HOUSE WILL APPEAR WHEN FINISHED

In an article written for the Portland Journal, Phil S. Bates, who visited Klamath Falls with the Pathfinder party, gives an account of the new Klamath county court house, work on the grounds of which started during the visit of the party. The article is as follows: In the presence of various members of the Central Oregon Development League advance agents, William S. Norden, county judge of Klamath county, broke ground Friday morning for the new \$165,000 court house, soon to be erected on the land recently donated by the Klamath Development company. The site occupies an eminence in the heart of the city and overlooking Lake Ewauna and the great Klamath Basin, which fades away to the south, to be lost in the distant California mountains. Mount Shasta can be seen on the right; directly in front is the White Pelican hotel, and to the north are numerous city additions and attractive suburbs. The new main line of the Southern Pacific will pass within a few hundred feet, and the court house will be in plain view of the passengers of the overland trains. The site comprises five acres in a half circle, around the edge of which an 80-foot slab, with heavy reinforced embankments will be constructed, presenting an immense attractive driveway. The court house will be of Grecian structure and most attractive in character. It will be 175 feet long, 75 feet wide and 60 feet high. There will be a full basement, two stories above and on top the jail will be located behind the fire wall. The court house will be absolutely fire proof, having concrete foundations, concrete floors, steel frame and steel casings; in fact, a class A building in every respect. The outside finish will be terra cotta, backed with brick, and there will be no furnace, for the entire building will be heated by hot water from the hot springs about 1,000 feet away. The interior arrangements are up to date and complete, and when completed will constitute one of the best advertisements that Klamath county will have.

ROSS MEETING ENCOURAGEMENT

BIG DELEGATION PROMISES TO COME TO KLAMATH FALLS FOR W. O. W. LOG ROLLING IN SEPTEMBER

Ewauna Camp No. 129, W. O. W., are not only planning, but are really going to have a big time at their log rolling September 26, 27 and 28.

According to letters from Secretary J. W. Ross, not only the Woodmen are coming at that time, but other fraternal orders as well. In a recent communication from Sisson, received by C. T. Oliver, Mr. Ross writes:

"I visited the lodge of the K. of P. here, and took the matter up of the Knights visiting Klamath Falls at that time, and competing with the Knights here in the long form. They are more than anxious to do this, and promise to come at least seventy-five strong from Dunsmuir and Sisson. There is no doubt of our being able to organize a special train of 125 from Sisson."

Mr. Ross also states that he is meeting with great success in the selling of tickets to this Woodman meeting. These tickets sell at \$1 each, and admits the holder to all the entertainments furnished by the Woodmen during this log rolling.

In a recent communication received by the Chamber of Commerce from the Sacramento athletic club secretary, H. L. Duke, he makes the statement that he also has received literature regarding the celebration to take place in September.

The unique feature of this celebration is the fact that it will be financed entirely with outside capital, and the business men of Klamath Falls will not be asked to donate one dollar. J. W. Ross and District Engineer McLeod are working the territory between Klamath Falls and San Francisco, and soon after the 1st of August the territory between this city and Portland will be worked by representative Woodmen.

New Enterprise for This City C. J. Coburn arrived in this city from Ashland yesterday. Mr. Coburn has been engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes in the valley city, and it is his intention to move his establishment to Klamath Falls and engage in the business here.

WATER USERS ARE ENJOINED

S. H. GRIFFITH SECURES PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST WATER USERS FROM COLLECTING ASSESSMENTS

Judge Benson today issued a decree in the case of S. H. Griffith vs. the Klamath Water Users Association, making permanent the temporary injunction issued some time ago, enjoining the Water Users Association from collecting or attempting to collect any assessment on the shares of stock of the plaintiff in the Water Users Association until water for sold land becomes available from the canals of the Klamath project.

Mr. Griffith is the owner of 546 acres of land in Poe Valley, which have been signed up with the Water Users Association for irrigation by the government, and as the Poe Valley canal is not completed, the suit was brought to prevent the collection of assessments against the land until the water should be ready for delivery. Kuykendall & Ferguson were attorneys for Mr. Griffith.

It is not known just what effect the decision will have on other property in Poe Valley, which is in about the same condition as that of Mr. Griffith. There is a total of about 6,000 acres of land under the Poe Valley lateral, which has not yet received water, but the association will continue to levy assessments against all of the shares of the association until the case is decided by the supreme court. It is probable that the other owners will be called upon to pay their assessments unless they secure an injunction as Mr. Griffith did.

Return From Medford Mrs. Lealie Rogers and sister, Mrs. C. C. Cofer, have returned from Medford, where they were called by the death of their father. Mr. Rogers went to Medford after them in one of Clapp's autos, and on account of the lack of signposts along the road, the party got on the wrong road and went nearly to Yreka before they could find the right road to Klamath Falls. After they passed the county line everything was all right, but Mr. Rogers states that the counties are making a bad mistake by not providing proper signposts along the roads for the guidance of motorists.

ORDER SURVEY STATE HIGHWAY

CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY COMMISSION DIRECTS A SURVEY MADE OF THE PROPOSED ROUTES TO THE OREGON LINE

SACRAMENTO, July 26.—The state highway commission has issued an order directing that a survey be made of a proposed route for the state highway, starting at a point a short distance north of Redding, Shasta county, where the roads passing through the city of Redding and the one going over the river at Free Bridge meet on the east side, and up the McCloud River, crossing the Sacramento at Antler and thence traversing the bank of the Sacramento to Dunsmuir and on to Sisson and the Oregon line.

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CONVICT VICTIM DETECTIVE HATE

SERIOUS CHARGE MADE BY LABOR LEADERS OF 'FRISCO

Detective is Found to Be in Penitentiary as a spy—Efforts Are Made to Make Jim McNamara "Come Through" Is Charge—Warden Denies Truth of the Claims of the Leaders of Organized Labor

United Press Service SAN FRANCISCO, July 26.—Charges that Jim McNamara is being kept in solitary confinement in San Quentin and abused by his keepers as part of a plot of Burns' detectives to make him "come through" were made here today, following a visit to the penitentiary by a committee of the Trades and Labor Council, headed by ex-Mayor McCarthy, Tveitmo and Clancy.

The labor leaders interviewed Warden Hoyle to ascertain why Jim McNamara was kept in solitary confinement. They told the warden that Malcolm McLaren, a Burns detective, had been secretly in the prison. Hoyle denied this, but an examination of the records show that McLaren was there.

The laborites also declared that a guard named Grub had prodded Jim with a stick. Grub, it was stated, had declared that he hoped McNamara would be put in his ward; that he would "raise hell with them."

Hoyle refused to allow the laborites to talk with McNamara, and declared that the visit would not shorten the solitary confinement sentence of the prisoner. He maintained that Jim McNamara had been put in solitary confinement because of mutiny.

The laborites pleaded that Jim and John be given fair play.

WILL CO-OPERATE WITH OFFICIALS

PROJECT ENGINEER WILL ASSIST MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Government Is Willing to Discontinue Operation of Ankeny Canal Below Leavitt Tract in Case It Is Held of Obligations of Vested Water Rights—Has No Right of Way for Pipe Line

"The reclamation service would be very glad to co-operate with Mayor Nichols and the city council in adjusting the Ankeny canal matter," said Project Engineer W. W. Patch this morning. "In buying the canal the government assumes certain obligations to owners of paid-up water rights, and we cannot discontinue the operation of the ditch unless these obligations are assumed by some one else, or we are released by the owners of the rights."

"The office considered putting in a pipe line and filling up the ditch, but our attorneys informed us that the government had no right of way for a pipe line, but simply an easement for an open ditch. So our plans along that line were stopped."

Mr. Patch stated that he believed the proposition of concreting the ditch was out of the question. He said that he believed that the matter could be easily settled if the council was favorable, and offered to assist them in any way he could, and would see that any proposition that they might decide on was properly presented for the action of the department. As an indication of the attitude of the government, following is a copy of a letter written last April by the secretary of the interior to the director of the reclamation service:

"Director Reclamation Service—My attention has been called to various matters in regard to the occupation by the government of right of way for the Ankeny canal within the limits of the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, and to the unsatisfactory conditions necessarily resulting from the use of said canal within the city limits.

"It appears that certain residents of Klamath Falls have suggested that they acquire control of the vested rights to the use of water from this canal, and thereafter release the United States from its present obligation to supply water therefrom. The purpose of these residents is to induce the United States to cease operations on the lower portion of the Ankeny canal, which will be practicable in case the vested rights in question can be eliminated or satisfied by some other means.

"The department would be willing to discontinue further operations of said canal below the land known as the Leavitt tract in case the United States was relieved of its present obligations to furnish water to said vested interests below said tract. Upon satisfactory evidence that United States has been released of such obligation the right of way in question would be no longer used by the United States, and no objection on its part would be made to such disposition thereof as may be made by those entitled to control the same. You are authorized to instruct the supervising engineer to act in accordance therewith."

"SAMUEL ADAMS, "First Assistant Secretary."

Fred Campbell arrived in this city last evening from Lake county. He will appear as a witness before the circuit court, and is also transacting some private business.

E. C. McCloud is in from Odessa on business, and will return soon to his farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown and daughter are in the city from Langell Valley on a visit and transacting some business.

F. L. Chitwood of Merrill is in the city on business.

Fred Fleet, H. E. Winnard and son arrived in the city last evening from their home in Langell Valley to attend court.

SUPREME COURT WILL RENDER DECISION SOON

A telegram received last evening from County Judge Worden from Salem, states that the arguments in the appeal of the court house injunction were concluded yesterday, and that a decision was expected by the 1st of August. Judge Worden and the attorneys are expected home either Saturday or Sunday evening.

It was presumed that after the arguments were presented that the attorneys would be given ten days in which to submit briefs, so that the announcement that a decision is expected by August 1 is not understood. It may be that the supreme court will decide the suit on the abstract of the trial, which was furnished Judge Coke by Court Stenographer Richardson. In that case it is probable that no printed briefs will be filed.

MRS. DARROW TO GO TO THE STAND

WIFE OF CHICAGO ATTORNEY WILL TESTIFY TO FACTS TENDING TO DISCREDIT WITNESSES AGAINST HER HUSBAND

LOS ANGELES, July 26.—Earl Rogers, attorney for Clarence Darrow, stated this afternoon that Mrs. Darrow would follow Davis on the witness stand. It is not known concerning what she will testify, but it is expected that she will deny portions of Harrington's testimony.

The entire morning session was taken up with the cross-examination of Davis by District Attorney Fredericks in a futile effort to tangle up the witness on the details of the plan to have the McNamara plead guilty two days before Lockwood was alleged to have been bribed.

The gist of Davis' testimony was that the McNamara had been ready to change their pleas, and that District Attorney Fredericks had been so advised two days before the Lockwood bribery was alleged to have passed.