

WEST SAYS KLAMATH SHALL HAVE COMMISSIONER

Passage of Twenty Year Extension Bill Practically Assured

IRRIGATION BILL GETS FAVORABLE SENATE REPORT

THIS MEANS NO CONSTRUCTION CHARGE FOR YEARS

Believed Bill Will Become a Law During the Present Session of Congress...

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—The senate irrigation committee has authorized a favorable report on the bill...

The bill liberalizes present law by requiring the payment at the time of entry of but 5 per cent of the construction charge...

The proposed new law is to apply to existing projects on which payments remaining due may be adjusted to cover total payment in a period of twenty years...

According to Secretary Elder of the Water Users Association, the final passage of the bill will mean the farmers under the Klamath project will be relieved of any further payments on construction of irrigation systems...

The bill provides for twenty years in which to pay back to the government the cost of construction. The water users would have to make a new water right application, at which time they would have to pay 5 per cent of the cost...

On projects already constructed and where one or more payments have already been made, these payments are credited on the amounts due under the new law...

Those who have made four payments would have nearly twelve years from the completion of the canal before another payment would be due.

Lady Sibyl Grant Writes Poems



Lady Sibyl Grant, the eldest daughter of Lord Roseberry, former premier of Great Britain, has just published a book of satirical verse...

CRATER LAKE'S BILL IS FAVORED

Public Lands Committee Makes Favorable Report Upon the Measure Introduced in the Senate By Chamberlain, Using Revenue for Parks

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The senate public lands committee has reported favorably Senator Chamberlain's bill directing that all revenues derived from leases and permits in Crater Lake Park be expended for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in the park.

During that time they would only have to pay for the cost of operation and maintenance, and the annual levy for the expenses of the association.

STAND FOR PINCHOTISM TAKEN BY ADMINISTRATION TODAY IN REJECTING ROANOAK PETITION

SECRETARY OF WAR CHANGES HIS VIEWS AND HITS PRIVATE PROJECT

After Approving the Bill Granting Corporation the Right to Develop Power on River, Secretary of War Writes to Congress, Disapproving the Measure, and Asks Authority to Make Permits.

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—President Wilson's administration went on record today as approving the Pinchot school of conservation. This stand was taken when Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison reversed himself in connection with the Roanoke River dam project.

Garrison originally approved the bill, which transferred valuable water power rights to a private corporation. But today he wrote a letter to congress in which he disapproved the measure. Secretary Garrison, with the approval of President Wilson, will ask for an authorization to issue permits for the construction of water power projects, with the stipulation that they be issued only to concerns incorporated as public utilities under state laws, and so restricted that control of them by monopolistic corporations will be impossible.

In order to protect the rights of the states, the revenue accruing under this plan will go to the states, not to the federal government.

JOYFUL TIME FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

Odd Fellows and Their Families Will Celebrate the Third Anniversary of the Dedication of Their Building With Interesting Festivities.

On the 18th day of February, 1911, the various branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows celebrated the completion of their building, and dedicated it to the use of the order with impressive ceremonies, which were attended by every Odd Fellow and the members of their families, who could possibly be present.

Every anniversary of the event has been observed with appropriate ceremony since that time, and this year will be no exception.

For this anniversary it is planned to entertain the members of the order, with their families, with an interesting literary program, to be followed by cards and dancing.

In the east hall, commencing promptly at 8 o'clock, the following program will be given:

- Address of Welcome... W. O. Smith Quartet... Mrs. Fred Bremer, Miss Laura Bice, Mr. Fred Bremer, Mr. Louis Bice. Piano Solo... Mrs. C. D. Garcelon Reading... Miss Elizabeth Graves Vocal duet... Evelyn Sholl and Elizabeth Ramsby. Reading... Miss Laura Bice Piano duet... Miss Vera Houston and Greia McMillan. Song... Josephine Ringo Recitation... Mrs. Evelyn Atherton Vocal duet... Grace Hoagland and Inez Turner. Reading... Miss Reita Lippert Piano solo... Miss Pearl Blehn Reading... Mrs. Fred Noel Vocal solo... Miss Marjory McClure Dialogue... Masters Freddie Blehn and Emmitt North. Piano duet... Fern Hoagland and Gertrude Werts.

The program will be concluded with a burlesque, in which the following will take part: Mrs. Ivy North, Mrs. Robert Emmitt, Mrs. Nate Otterbein, Mrs. Elizabeth Ramsby, Mrs. O. H. Breneman, Mrs. Fred Noel, Mrs. C. D. Garcelon, Mrs. Percival Sholl, Mrs. Lee Bean, Mrs. Wm. Weedon and Miss Fannie Virgil. At the conclusion of the program

MRS. ROUNSEVELL IS RECOVERING

Former Klamath Woman Who Was Injured in an Accident at Oakland the Other Day, Will Soon Leave the Hospital.

Mrs. Nelson Rounsevell is slowly recovering in an Oakland hospital from an accident which she met with in that city last Saturday, according to information received here today. At first it was feared that she had been critically injured, but there has been a gradual improvement in her condition, and it is expected that within a few days she will be removed from the hospital to the family home.

OAKLAND KEEPS ITS WATER FRONT

Remainder of Public Utilities Will Be Controlled by State Industrial Commission, People Deciding This Point by Heavy Vote.

(Herald Special Service) OAKLAND, Feb. 20.—Oakland has voted emphatically to turn over the control of its public utilities to the State Railroad Commission, with the exception of its water front, of which it retains control. The vote to give the state control of the public utilities was won by more than two to one.

The vote to retain control of the water front will add great impetus to the important work now being done, and an early completion of the inner harbor. This work, on which the government has spent more than \$4,000,000 and the city \$2,500,000, will be completed in time to handle the big increase in traffic that will follow the opening of the Panama canal.

The east hall will be cleared and the tables arranged for those who wish to pass the time at cards, while in the west hall good music will be furnished for those who wish to trip the light fantastic toe.

CHANDLER GIVEN OVATION TODAY BY MERRILLITES

CITIZENS SHOW FAITH AND TRUST IN NEIGHBOR

Rural Mail Carrier Is Again Back Among His Friends, After Being Exonerated of Suspicion in Connection With the Hunthome Forgery Cases—May Return to Portland as Witness.

(Herald Special Service)

MERRILL, Feb. 20.—An ovation exceeding anything of its kind ever given in the county was tendered W. M. Chandler today when the stage from Klamath Falls arrived at Merrill, bringing Mr. Chandler and the Vochatzer boys on the last lap of their trip from Portland.

Long before the stage arrived an immense throng of men, women and children congregated at the stage office to be in readiness to show their friendship and trust in one they believed to be innocent of the crime of which he had been accused.

When the stage drew up and Mr. Chandler saw the demonstration in his honor, he was completely overcome with emotion, and it was some minutes before he could in any way express his gratitude for such an emphatic expression of the people's belief in his innocence.

Of the probable guilt of the Cacka suspect, Mr. Chandler had little to say. He said he would probably return to Portland as a witness, but beyond that would not state his opinion of the outcome, only to say that he had no fear as to his own case.

Mr. Chandler and the Vochatzer boys arrived here last night from Portland, leaving this morning for their home in Merrill. In speaking of his case, Mr. Chandler said:

"I'm not in the least perturbed about the outcome. In fact, I hardly expect to be called back to Portland; and should I be summoned again, it will be as a witness. Of this I feel absolutely certain. While the accusation made against me has been extremely humiliating, it has also shown me what it is to have loyal friends."

OBCENCHAIN CASE DECISION SOON

State Supreme Court Hears the Argument in the Case Appealed From Klamath County Against the Ransome-Crummey Company.

A decision in the Obchain-Ransome-Crummey company case, which was appealed to the supreme court from Klamath county, is expected about next Tuesday. The case was argued before the supreme court at Salem last week by C. F. Stone, representing Obchain, and R. M. F. Soto of San Francisco, attorney for the appellant.

This case was tried before Judge Benson on January 18, 1913, and Obchain secured a judgment for \$1,073, and an appeal was taken by Ransome, Crumey company.

Wireless Messages Around the World



Vice President George W. E. Atkins of the Western Union Telegraph company has made the statement that it will soon be possible to send a wireless message around the world. When the Marconi company completes its stations at San Francisco and the Sandwich Islands this can be done.

CROSSED VILLA TO HIS FACE

And Now British Mine Owner Is Supposed to Be Dead—Crossed the Rio Grande From El Paso to Tell Mexican General What He Thought of Him

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—That W. H. Benton, a British mine owner, who recently crossed from El Paso to Jaurez to denounce General Villa to his face, is undoubtedly dead, is admitted by Secretary of State Bryan.

Whether General Villa had him executed or not the secretary did not know. If such has been the case, it is confessed that serious complications are possible.

WEST PROMISES TO APPOINT A KLAMATH MAN

MEMBER OF STATE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

Former Commissioner Stone Has Conference With Governor West, and Brings Good News to the Klamath Sportsmen—Reorganization of the Commission Expected to Be Perfected by the First of the Month.

There is strong probability that a Klamath county man will be appointed as a member of the state fish and game commission before the first of next month. This is the good news brought by C. F. Stone, one of the original members of the commission, who recently resigned.

While at Salem, Mr. Stone had a conference with Governor West, and the governor promised that a Klamath man would be appointed just as soon as a complete reorganization of the commission was effected. At the present time there is a vacancy from Eastern Oregon caused by the resignation of Commissioner Evans and his appointment as state game warden.

Whether the governor informed Mr. Stone as to who the man would be is not known, as the conference was confidential, and further than the statement that the governor had promised to recognize Klamath county on the commission, he felt that he was not at liberty to divulge any further matters discussed.

There has been a rumor that Governor West planned to reorganize the commission, and reappoint all of the old commissioners, except Kinney. But as Kinney refused to resign, he still remains a member. Although Mr. Stone would not admit it, it is believed that he will be re-appointed if the governor succeeds in carrying through his program.

Short Course in March

Instructive Program Is Arranged for the Farmers

One of the most comprehensive programs ever arranged for a farmers' institute in the state has just been decided upon for the farmers' short course in agriculture, to be held here during the week beginning March 2d.

This institute will be held at the Klamath county high school, and is for the benefit of all the farmers in the county. All are invited to attend the courses, which will be free of charge.

Max A. McCall, instructor in agriculture at the Klamath county high school, has been at work on this matter for some time, and he has secured the services of some of the best men on the faculty of the Oregon Agricultural College to take up some of the work. Every phase of farming that is of interest to Klamath county will be taken up.

Special attention is to be given to dairying at the short course. The state is rapidly awakening to the fact that Klamath county is destined to be one of the most important dairy centers in Oregon, and in declining to send the S. P.-O. A. C. dairy demonstration train to Klamath Falls, the management stated that this work would all be taken up at the short course lectures.

Following is the program arranged for the sessions:

The work offered in this short course is a condensation of that offered at the regular Winter Short Course at the Oregon Agricultural College modified to suit local conditions.

That in Agriculture is intended to cover in a general way the broad (Continued on page 4)

Would Have Less Boards

Governor Declares for Measure to Cut Departments

SALEM, Feb. 20.—A movement has been started here to initiate a measure to abolish the state land board, state water board and state engineers office, combining the three departments under one board. The plan was suggested to Governor West by the Central Oregon delegates to the state irrigation congress.

The governor has said he would support such a measure, declaring that it would accomplish a large saving to the people of the state.