

CONGRESSMEN ARRIVE A DAY AHEAD OF TIME

Unheralded and more than 12 hours ahead of time, the congressional committee on tour of inspection of western parks and reclamation projects arrived in Klamath Falls this morning by special train at 7 o'clock. There was a scramble among members of the chamber of commerce and leading citizens to organize an impromptu delegation to meet the visitors, and automobiles were secured to take them on a trip over the project. On their return an informal luncheon was served, under auspices of the local reclamation service staff and irrigationists, at the White Pelican hotel. As many citizens as could be gathered at short notice were present. There were no formal speeches.

Among the visitors are Arthur P. Davis, director of United States reclamation service and J. A. Beadle, assistant director, and Stephen T. Mather, director of national parks.

Members of the appropriations committee of the United States house of representatives were headed by James W. Good of Iowa, chairman of the committee. Mr. Good is one of the leading members of the lower house and was chairman of the committee that drafted the national budget bill, vetoed by President Wilson after passage by the recent session of congress.

Other members of the committee are William R. Wood of Indiana, Louis C. Cramton of Michigan, Burton L. French of Idaho, Milton W. Shreve of Pennsylvania, Joseph W. Byrns of Tennessee (ranking Democratic member and in line for the chairmanship of the committee if the next president is a Democrat), and John Evans of Montana.

John J. Eagan of New Jersey stayed to watch the windup of the San Francisco convention but is expected to arrive tonight and join the party at Crater lake. John A. Gallivan of Massachusetts left the party at San Francisco. He was a delegate from his state to the party convention, and will go from San Francisco to the Orient.

N. J. Sinnott, representative of this district, chairman of the public lands committee, is a member of the party. He was on home territory when the special crossed the Oregon line this morning and reaching Klamath Falls, where he has many close friends and hosts of acquaintances, was a homecoming event for him.

While Mr. Sinnott is not a member of the appropriations committee, his rank as chairman of the public lands committee, and his close touch with the west and western interests, make his presence invaluable to the party. His colleagues admit that they have shifted a great deal of the speech-making of the trip to the local congressman and he has augmented his oratorical reputation considerably.

Charles B. Timberlake, Colorado congressman, member of the ways and means committee, and Adolf K. Barta, secretary of the appropriations committee, with E. O. McCormick, vice president of the Southern Pacific railway, complete the party.

Mr. McCormick is personally conducting the tour of the northwest, and it was due to his courtesy that the party secured a special train at Dunsmuir last night and arrived here ahead of schedule. The gain in time will give them an added day in Oregon. Following the luncheon at the White Pelican they were conveyed in automobiles to Fort Klamath, where a delegation plans to meet them to take them to Crater lake. They will spend tomorrow and part of the next day in the park and go on to Bend, arriving there Friday night, where they will entrain again for the remainder of the trip. Mr. Mather and Mr. McCormick will leave the party at Crater lake and go to Medford, Mr. Mather desiring to inspect conditions of the roads leading into the park from the Medford side.

As they pass through various congressional districts representatives of those districts join the party. Congressman Hawley is expected to join them here.

BOURBON HOSTS ARE HOMEWARD BOUND

SAN FRANCISCO, July 7.—The work of the delegates at the Democratic national convention is done and the big gathering adjourned last night with a last roar of enthusiasm for the party standard bearers, Cox and Roosevelt. The delegates were scrambling today for train accommodations homeward. Every string of departing sleepers headed east, north and south was loaded to capacity.

SEEKS \$2,900 FOR ACCIDENT

Sam T. Kesterson, Strahorn railway fireman, who was dragged beneath a tender in the local yards about four months ago, has filed suit for \$2900 damages against Walker D. Hines, former director general of railroads, now agent for the conduct of litigation arising out of federal control, and the Southern Pacific Railway company.

Plaintiff says in his complaint that he went between the engine and tender of an Oregon, California & Eastern train to couple an air hose, that this was a proceeding in line with his duty and that he took ordinary precautions of safety. A Southern Pacific freight train, which he alleges was operating with a short crew and without a flagman on the rear car as required, rammed the train under which he was working and shoved it for 30 feet down the track, dragging him beneath the tender. As a result he received various injuries, he asserts, and his physical condition is permanently impaired.

RAILWAY HEAD AND FRIENDS ON OUTING

W. J. Shotwell, general manager of the Western Pacific railroad, with Mrs. Shotwell and a party of friends from San Francisco arrived in town last night and are stopping at the White Pelican hotel for a few days. The party is on a vacation trip to good fishing grounds and expect to visit various scenic attractions in Oregon.

Those in the party are: Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Ochsner, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kohlwey, Dr. and Mrs. James C. Black, Alexander Black, Gordon McIntosh, Charles McNear, D. A. Clark, Mrs. H. Rosenfeld, Miss Nearington, Miss Jerome and Mrs. C. Dearling.

PROPERTY DISPUTES LEAD TO TWO LEGAL ACTIONS

Emma Frodenburg has begun suit in the circuit court against John B. and Dewey D. Horn, executors of the estate of William Horn, deceased, to collect \$1125, the value placed by plaintiff upon livestock, which she alleges defendants wrongfully removed from her possession in Modoc county, Cal., in 1919, and refused thereafter to restore.

George Hartley has begun suit against the Modoc Lumber company for \$300, value of a logging truck, which he alleges defendants have and are using and of which he claims ownership. He asserts that defendants refuse to compensate him for the use of the truck.

FIRE RAZES BLOCK AT BEND; LOSS IS \$50,000

BEND, July 7.—Fire breaking out early this morning destroyed every building in one block here excepting a log cabin. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, partially insured.

WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Tonight and Thursday fair; continued warm weather.

This tour of inspection is for the purpose of obtaining first hand information in order that the appropriations committee of the house of representatives may more properly legislate for the national parks and reclamation projects. Six national parks and 11 reclamation projects, as well as the Columbia river highway are to be visited, and the committee is very well pleased with the showing made in the parks and projects thus far visited and inspected.

RAILWAY CHIEF CLAIMS KINSHIP TO CRATER LAKE

E. O. McCormick, vice-president of the Southern Pacific railroad company, met the reporter upon the platform of his private car, which was side tracked in the local railroad yards this morning, and invited him in to tell him what she thought of "this wonderful Klamath county." Not being satisfied with the answers he began to tell how fine he thought it. This is not Mr. McCormick's first visit to Klamath county as he used to be here quite regularly, but he has never been through as a member of the federal park commission before.

"Stephen Mather and I are very near relatives of Miss Crater Lake, he said, and we sort of feel that we have to see her every so often.

The railroad chief had many nice things to say for Upper Klamath lake as well, and of the delight of Gilbert Grosvenor, president of the Geographical Magazine company, experienced upon seeing this great body of water.

When questioned as to the personnel of the appropriation committee Mr. McCormick spoke most highly of Congressman Sinnott. "He is a silver-tongued fellow, and for that reason we carry him with us as a sort of decoy, to make promises, which we use our own judgment in carrying out," he said jestingly.

W. C. Van Emon, representing the cattle interests in the county, paid the railroad magnate a visit with the purpose in mind of getting his recommendation to use National parks as a grazing ground. This plan was not looked on any too favorably by Mr. McCormick, who believed that if promiscuous grazing were allowed that it would not be long before there wouldn't be anything left for the traveler to graze his stock on. "In my opinion," he said "the beef cattle of the future will come from 20, 40, 60 and 80 acre tracts, not from the ranges."

No hope was held out for a through railroad for Klamath for many years, the main trouble being the lack of capital for rail extension. Statistics show that fewer roads were built last year than at any other time in the history of the United States and it is believed that conditions will not be much better this year.

PENDLETON MORE THAN DOUBLES POPULATION

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Census figures today include Pendleton, Oregon, giving it a population of 7327, an increase of 2927, or 65.6 per cent.

COUNTY COURT MEETS

The county court met this afternoon in the first session of the new term. No new matters were taken up with the exception of a small amount of road business.

SEEK TO ENJOIN BLOCKING OF RATIFICATION

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Proceedings asking that Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State, be enjoined from issuing any proclamation declaring the suffrage amendment ratified were instituted in the District of Columbia Supreme Court here today by Chas. S. Fairchild, of New York, President of the American Constitutional League.

Fairchild also seeks to prevent Attorney-General Palmer from enforcing the amendment. Colby and Palmer were ordered to show the cause on July 12 why the motion should not be granted.

The basis of the proceedings is the claim that ratification of the amendment by the West Virginia legislature was illegal because it was accomplished by fraud; that the proposed ratification by the Tennessee legislature also will be illegal on the ground that the legislature lacks authority under the state's constitution to act on the measure.

RALEIGH, North Carolina, July 7.—Governor Bickett today called a special session of the Legislature to convene August 10 at which the ratification of the suffrage amendment would be considered.

DAYTON, O., July 7.—Gov. James Cox, Democratic candidate for President, today expressed the opinion that it is the duty of the Louisiana legislature to ratify the woman's suffrage amendment immediately.

FIRST KENO UNIT IS COMPLETED

T. G. Bradley of Copco, Cal., general superintendent of power houses for the California-Oregon Power company, is here inspecting the Keno plant, now in process of remodeling, and other equipment of the company.

Work is progressing rapidly at the Keno plant. Within a day or two, according to Geo. J. Walton, local manager, the first unit will be ready to hook onto the company's system, giving it 500 kilowatts, or 600 horse power, additional power.

Within a month the second unit will be finished and connected, furnishing 500 kilowatts more. Construction work is practically finished and the new machinery is now in process of installation. The crew has been cut down to 50 men.

When the work was at its height a crew of 150 men was working but the force has been cut down to skilled mechanics and helpers who are putting the machinery in place. It is estimated that the plant will be complete about August 1.

JOHNSON STANDS FOR FOUR-SQUARE POLICY

SAN FRANCISCO, July 7.—Support of the Republican party "with a candidate standing four square on the platform is the only choice left to those who believe in safeguarding, protecting and preserving our Americanism," Senator Hiram W. Johnson declared in a statement made at his home here today.

COUNCIL HOLDS SHORT SESSION

The city council session last night was dull, devoted mostly to routine allowance of monthly bills. In the absence of Mayor Struble, who is ill, C. K. Brandenburg presided.

The mayor returned the traffic ordinance with his veto, his chief objection being that it lacked a saving clause which would permit prosecution of any pending violations under former ordinances that it would repeal, and amounted virtually to a legislative pardon for all offenses in process of prosecution. The mayor's note alleged other objections which it did not specify.

Residents in the neighborhood of Klamath avenue and Payne alley complained of a barn on that corner as a nuisance which they asked removed. The barn was recently inspected by the health board, said Dr. A. A. Soule, and passed over on a promise of a cleanup. The promise, he said, was not kept. The matter was referred again to the health board for action.

Band piles on Pine and other streets, dumped by sidewalk contractors, still half the street and pose a menace to traffic, it was reported. The piles are not protected by lights at night, it was said. There was doubt as to whether the Warren Construction company or sub-contractors were responsible but the chief of police was instructed to notify all who might have an interest to place lights on the obstructions at night. Councilman Upp declared he did not believe the police should have to warn ordinance violators continually. He was in favor of immediate arrest and a few salutary fines, he said.

Property owners on Long and East streets, extensions of Oregon avenue, said that the California-Oregon Power company had promised to extend its mains to those streets, where new homes have been built for eight families. The spokesman said they had paid \$2.50 deposit for the service and have waited a month for water. Yesterday, he said, he went to the water company's office and was informed that the company would either have to have financial help from the Klamath Development company, which is opening the addition, or the residents would have to pay for a year's service in advance before the main was extended. The delegation asked the council to use its influence for their relief. The matter was referred to the light and water committee.

The power company will be asked to install lights on the corner of Plum and Eighth and Plum and Ninth streets.

Assessment rolls of the proposed improvements on Klamath and Conger avenues and Pine and Washington streets were filed and ordered published.

An ordinance fixing grades, codifying all previous ordinances of the sort, was introduced.

Permits Issued

The following permits were issued: Building—Frank Tunnell, to tear down Barn in block 38, First Addition, and use the lumber for a three room house, cost \$500; Mrs. G. R. Patterson, small building for confectionery next the bath house. Moving—E. J. Boyd, dwelling from Pine street to Nichols addition; C. H. Newman, woodshed from Klamath addition to lot 5, block 4, Williams addition; Harrison & Matt, dwelling from south Fourth to south Fifth street.

Ordinance Laid Over

The housemoving and wire-cutting ordinance, laid over from last session, was tabled another week, so that George J. Walton, manager of the power company, might appear.

WHAT KLAMATH HOPES FROM THE GOVERNMENT

By R. E. BRADBURY,
Director of Klamath Irrigation
District

Klamath today welcomes the members of the congressional appropriation committee and officials of the reclamation service. It is seldom that a community is afforded the opportunity of presenting their claims for recognition or preference as will be afforded by the visit of these gentlemen.

Upon the verdict of this committee will depend the appropriations necessary for the assistance of local irrigation districts in reclaiming approximately 175,000 acres of land. Of this over 103,000 acres are public and would be available for settlement by former service men and women. Water is available in existing reservoirs for all of this land, with the exception of about 40,000 acres. The lands awaiting reclamation and irrigation are in the main of proven value and fertility and the construction of dams and canals necessary for the conveyance of water to these lands presents no difficult or unusual engineering problems.

A brief history of the Klamath project might be of value in fixing the present status of the project. At the inception of the project the main portion was in private ownership and the present distributing system was constructed to serve those lands which are embraced in the Klamath Irrigation district. Enterprise district, Pine Grove district and primary lands about 600 acres of homestead lands on the Tule land in California. The major portion of the money expended on the Klamath project has been apportioned to these lands and is being returned to the reclamation fund. These lands occupy the heart of the Klamath project and the reservoir (Upper Klamath lake) and canals that supply them are of sufficient capacity to supply a great deal larger acreage than is now being served, with a comparatively small outlay for canal extensions.

When the government undertook the construction of the Klamath project, the land and reservoir sites in private ownership were found to be quite an obstacle to the successful prosecution of the work of construction. It was found necessary to expend large sums of money for reservoirs with capacity for water-storage in excess of the requirements of the lands now being served. Conditions at this time, however, are reversed and the extension of irrigation on the project by private enterprise is hampered by the predominance of public lands and government ownership of reservoirs, which reduces the amount of money that can be raised by bond issue to such an extent that sufficient funds cannot be found to construct reservoirs and distributing systems for the irrigation.

Summary of Extensions
The following is a brief enumeration of the principal extensions of the Klamath Project which are wholly or largely dependent upon government assistance for reclamation and irrigation:
Lower Klamath marsh—Total acreage, 87,000. Apportioned, 27,000 in Klamath Drainage district. Of the balance unorganized, approximately 30,000 acres is public land. The available water supply for irrigation is Upper Klamath lake. Appropriation needed for surveys and plans for reclamation.
Tule lake—Total acreage 98,000, with 6,000 acres now under irrigation and 13,000 acres awaiting construction of dam on Lost river and supply canals. It is estimated that the reclamation of 47,000 acres additional would be assured by the construction of Horse Fly dam and reservoir covering 60,000 acres, all of which would be public. Of this acreage, 24,000 acres would receive a water supply from Upper Klamath lake and the balance would be de-

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