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## SUSPENSION OF WATER CHARGES NOT PROBABLE

### District Directors, Reclamation Service Representatives and Bankers Discuss Matter.

A Reclamation Service board has been studying financial conditions on the Klamath project, this week, to determine whether relief from the present payment of water charges, as requested in a petition of water users, an account of which appeared in a former issue of the Herald, can be had. The board consists of A. N. Burch, of Oakland, California, former project manager of the Orland project, Herbert D. Newell, project manager here, and H. L. Holgate, District counsel, of Portland.

Last night the board had an extended conference with the directors of the Klamath Irrigation District, the president of the Chamber of Commerce and the bankers of the county.

While the findings of the board cannot be made public until after consideration by the director of the Reclamation Service, the discussion last night indicated that the government is powerless to bring about the relief granted.

The water users, individually owe the United States nothing. The District, as a municipal corporation, has contracted to pay the government, thus wiping out the individual indebtedness.

The project charges, payable this year, are in the form of taxes assessed for District purposes under the laws of the state and there was general agreement at the meeting that nothing can be done by the United States, the county court or the district to change the due dates of taxes now on the rolls.

The board is working on plans to relieve the district, as far as possible, from embarrassment arising from a possible large default in tax payments which would prevent the District from meeting its obligations. Such assistance will not, however, affect the situation with regard to the individual tax payers this year.

Geo. W. Offield, president of the District, who presided, remarked that apparently the matter of taxes has resolved itself into the fact, which might as well be faced, that this community must finance itself and it is for the financial institutions of the county to find a way. He said this will not be easy and will require strong effort and close economy on the part of all concerned, but since it must be done, it will be done.

R. E. Bradbury, a director of the District, spoke on a similar view and stated that the general purpose of the petition was to direct attention to existing conditions in the hope that it would result in securing financial assistance from some source to enable the farmers to escape from the ruinous rate of 29 per cent per annum, now imposed by law upon tax delinquencies.

It was explained at the meeting that it would be impossible to suspend the operation and maintenance charges, and that it would take congressional action to suspend the building charges, however that some relief would be obtained by the elimination of the government penalty levied on the first half of the government charges.

The final question asked was: Would it be advisable to ask for suspension of the building charge for this year, amounting to approximately \$40,000, which, if granted, would most likely mean that all new construction work, such as the Tule Lake system, of the G canal to serve the Shasta View, Malin, and Patterson Districts, the Clear Lake Unit to serve Langell Valley lands and other work would be postponed for an indefinite period?

The construction of these systems it was brought out, not only means the expending of several hundred thousands of dollars which this county needs badly, but it will also make

## Portland Engineer Says Toll Rates Should Be Higher

SALEM, July 23.—Major Babcock, telephone engineer, will be recalled as a witness for Portland, Monday, when the telephone rehearing is resumed.

Fireworks are expected when he is cross-examined. Babcock stated yesterday afternoon that 20 per cent increase allowed in Oregon on toll business was not big enough, and that toll rates were not high enough. Commissioner Corey said if the toll rates were increased it would kill the business.

## ELKS WILL DANCE AT DREAMLAND NEXT THURSDAY

Local Elks have rented the Dreamland pavilion for Thursday evening, July 28, and will hold a dance for Elks and their ladies only. Plans for the affair are under direction of Messrs. Hardenbrook, Kelley and Hallowell. Cochran's orchestra will furnish the music.

## WEED CO. DROPS WOMEN WORKERS

WEED, Cal., July 23.—All women employed in the factories at the Weed Lumber company here have been discharged by the company this week.

This action followed the arrival of Miss Marion Mel, Assistant Secretary of the State Industrial Welfare Commission, ordered here to investigate complaints that the company was paying its women employees less than the minimum wage scale.

It is stated here that the company was advised that it must pay the women the minimum scale of \$16 per week or dispense with the services of the women.

Recently as many as thirty-five women were employed in doing the lighter work in the door, sash and box departments of the plant here.

The wage question has been the cause of much agitation here during the last several months. Since January 1st last, the company has made several cuts in its scale. Employees claim the cost of living, as far as the prices at the company's store are concerned, has not dropped proportionately to the wage scale.

## Shares His Room And Loses Watch

The arrest this morning of Ed Jones by Sheriff Low is a brief story of alleged misplaced confidence, in a man "down on his luck". Last night, Jones had no place to sleep so he asked Roy G. Patch, if he could sleep with him. Permission was granted and when the two men retired, Patch hung his Huntington watch on the bed post.

This morning, Patch alleges, when he awoke, his bedfellow was missing, and the bed post had only a leather thong hanging to it. A warrant was sworn out for Jones but the watch was not recovered.

## Turk Defenses are Reported Shattered

SMYRNA, July 23.—Greeks are reported to have captured 30,000 Turkish Nationalists and have cut off the Turk's retreat toward Angora from Eski-Shehr, the railway junction captured by the Greeks in the offensive Tuesday. The turks defensive line is reported isolated. Mustafa Kemmel Pash, Turkish Nationalist leader, is reported escaped and fleeing toward Angora.

## CALLS REPRESENTATIVE "LIAR" AT BERGDOLL HEARING

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The Bergdoll investigating committee's session broke up suddenly today after Charles A. Braun, a witness, called Representative Johnson, of Kentucky, a committee member, a "liar" and the latter made an attempt to reach the witness.

available a large area of exceptionally fine land, a part of which is public land and will furnish homes for returned soldiers.

The investigating board will continue its work a few days longer.

## SEEK INVESTMENT IN KLAMATH COUNTY ENTERPRISES

Does it not seem a little strange to you that some of our business men, who ordinarily are considered good, level-headed, conservatively progressive citizens, will often take or send their money away from home and invest it in some enterprise about which they know little or nothing and about the managers of which they know less?

We could give a list of such, showing a total investment that would stagger even the men who are interested.

For fifteen years that we know of this very thing has been going on and in all that time there is not one single case where the investors have received any return on their money.

If there was an end to this, there would be little use in referring to it now, but during the past few months, even when money was scarce and hard to get, thousands of dollars have gone into oil speculation in Texas, Oklahoma, Montana and Wyoming. More thousands have gone into mining schemes over in Nevada and elsewhere in Oregon.

While efforts to establish a box factory here in Klamath Falls, that would furnish an outlet for the lumber of the small sawmills, have failed, there have been ample funds at hand for factories at outside points.

The oil possibilities here are surer than anything from the outside, for the reason that the management is in the hands of men we know and can trust. If the money invested in foreign fields was invested here, there would be more than three wells underway and the great problem would be nearer solution.

The lumber industry opens a fertile field for safe investment and the development of home industry and employment of home labor. It keeps the money here for the development of business generally. It will help speed the day when this city is to be the pine lumber capital of the world.

Thousands upon thousands of acres of land particularly suitable for the growing of mint awaits the money for its development, yet local investors are closing their eyes, ears and pocket books to one of the safest and best investments in the world.

Limitless possibilities lie at our doors in the development of dairying, yet the money that would make this a possibility is sent away from home to aid in the building up of other communities, other payrolls, other enterprises.

An entire page of this paper could be devoted to detailing safe and sane business enterprises into which the big and little investor could put his money and help build Klamath county. But these are sufficient to start you thinking.

After this, put your money to work in Klamath county developing Klamath county enterprises for Klamath county people.

No place in the world will you find a better place or safer investments. Don't go chasing will-o-the-wisps. Be the sure-thing chap that plays close to home, with men whom you can trust and who have the business vision to appreciate what lies right at hand.

Get back of everything that goes to develop the county. You don't have to be a millionaire to invest a little. Just do your share. Don't be a slacker, for the day will come when the curtain will be drawn back and you will find yourself in the spotlight and occupying a position of which you yourself will be ashamed.

## Claims Pit Was Dug in Road to Cause an Injury

The case of Edward Roy and Walter Mallory charged jointly with alleged "wanton injury to personal property" filed by George Duke came up for trial in Justice Gaghagen's court this morning at 11 o'clock and was continued over to this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

The plaintiff alleges that on May 27 when driving along the road near Crescent, the truck containing himself and wife was precipitated into a deep hole dug in the cutoff road, near the Mallory road, which broke the machine and endangered their lives.

Mrs. Duke was placed on the stand and testified to seeing the Mallory boys near the postoffice in town on the date when the accident took place and that one of the Mallory boys left ahead of them carrying a shovel over his shoulder. Mrs. Duke testified that the earth near this hole in the road had been removed to the side and concealed behind a log. Also that she and her husband were unable to see this hole and never knew it existed until their truck was at the bottom of the pit. The testimony this afternoon was still under way and the defendants were on the stand.

The defense summoned three witnesses, Messrs. Zimmerman, Rose and Bates from Crescent. The first move was to call Walter Mallory to the stand. Mr. Mallory cited instances where the plaintiff had dug into the county road in repairing ditches and about one month ago had dug a pit across the road, erected bars and hung a red lantern the first night only. After that no light was displayed.

The intent of the defense in this case as far as it had proceeded was to attack the veracity of the plaintiff and it is said that evidence will be introduced tending to show that the plaintiff was as negligent in protecting road work as he alleges the defendants were in road work done in the past by them. A denial that the Mallory brothers dug the hole was entered by Walter Mallory in the last part of his statements.

## WILL SPUD IN N. C. O. CO. WELL

The Churchill ranch in Siskiyou county six miles below Merrill will be the scene of another attempt to find the great oil bodies which are believed to exist under the Klamath Basin and at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, Driller Haley of the Crater Lake Oil company will send the big drill downward into the earth's bosom to find the oil.

This well is the first one which will be "spudded in" by the Northern California Oil company in its exploitation of the valley and all arrangements have been completed and the driller awaits but the signal to turn the drill loose on its downward path. While a big barbecue was put on by the officers of the Crater Lake Oil company, when the well near Merrill was started, the Northern California company has not staged any ceremonies but have asked the public who are interested in the project to drive down tomorrow and watch the proceedings.

Progress at the Crater Lake Oil company well near Merrill is progressing steadily under the direction of Geologist Lehman and the report obtained at the Klamath Falls office of the company was that at 11 o'clock the log showed that 615 feet was penetrated and the drill was still in the promising blue shale formation struck last week. The drill is eating its way into this formation and the feeling is strong that something worth while will show up when this capping is penetrated.

The cementing up of the Siemens well was satisfactorily completed this week and the new mixture obtained from the government is setting very nicely. The cement placed in the well before the water broke in the last time was found to be below standard.

## No Pound Sale; Stock Vanishes During the Night

There was no poundmaster's sale of impounded stock today as advertised by poundmaster Wilson earlier this week.

Yesterday evening, Poundmaster Wilson was called out to impound 27 head of cattle which were at large in the city and after getting them together, all were placed in the pound. The cattle seemed contented. This morning however, the fences of the pound were down and the stock scattered. No trace has been found of them or of two mares previously impounded.

Councilman Hawkins expects to bring up the adequate fencing of the pound Monday night and secure co-operation toward having a strong fence erected. It is too much expense to impound stock and allow it to escape, is Hawkins' opinion.

## CONTEMPT CASE IS CONTINUED

Yesterday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, John P. McAuliffe and his attorney, H. M. Manning, were in attendance at the contempt proceedings against John, Mary, Ben and Ita Shanahan in circuit court.

The defendants had been cited to appear before Judge Kuykendall and show cause for their alleged disobedience of the court order, which placed W. W. Finley, receiver, in charge of the personal property on their ranch near Bly, issued on July 18. Answer to the citation was made by J. H. Carnahan, attorney for the defendants, and their answer admitted that they had failed to deliver possession of the ranch notwithstanding the fact that they were ready to deliver possession of the personal property to the sheriff. Illness of one of the family was alleged as the cause for their non delivery of the ranch.

Judge Kuykendall summoned Sheriff Low and asked if formal possession of the ranch had been demanded. The sheriff answered that the writ he served called for delivery into his possession only the personal property and not the ranch. Demand was made by him only for the personal property and this was refused. Two demands were made and each time refused, he said.

Attorney Manning asked consent of the court to modify the order for possession as a course towards conciliation in the matter and the court instructed the parties to the suit to come to some agreement. The matter resulted in the modification of the order and Receiver Finley is instructed to take possession of all the personal property described in the mortgage consisting of ten cows and ten calves, one bull, eight yearling heifers, 36 horses, 5000 head of sheep, 780 tons of hay and the increase of livestock. The livestock was ordered branded with a "bull's head" the receiver's mark excepting 1500 head of sheep delivered to McAuliffe and released from the mortgage executed in October, 1918.

The court order instructs the receiver not to interfere with the possession of the lands, nor the growing crops and directs the sheriff to place Receiver Finley in possession of the personal property at once. Pending the attitude of the defendants towards complying with terms of the modified order, the contempt proceedings have been continued.

## Hope Irish Peace Plans Will Work

DUBLIN, July 23.—An impression is growing here that the Irish peace offer, made by Lloyd George, will work out in settlement.

## YANKEE VICTORY

HARVARD STADIUM, Cambridge, Mass., July 23.—The combined Harvard-Yale team captured the fifth set of field games from the Oxford-Cambridge team of England. The score now stands three to two in favor of America.

## WEATHER REPORT

OREGON—Tonight and Sunday, fair.

Make that idle dollar work! Put it in the bank.

## COPCO LINE TO BE BUILT TO MALIN AT ONCE

### Project Approved by Main Office and Will Be completed by August 10; Will Cost \$9,000.

Malin will realize a desire of long standing within the next few weeks, when the California Oregon Power company's line is extended to town from its present terminus at Adams Point.

Approval of the project was received from San Francisco by the local office of the power company yesterday and J. C. Thompson, division manager, said that work would be started as soon as material could be assembled. He expects the line to be completed and in service by August 10.

The line from Merrill to Adams Point, a distance of five miles was completed three weeks ago. Malin residents strongly requested the closing of the remaining five mile gap to that town. Contracts for use of light and power, totalling \$250 monthly, have been signed up. This revenue is additional to the Oskar Huber will pay for power service to his rock crusher this summer.

Construction of the line from Adams Point to Malin will cost approximately \$9000, said Mr. Thompson, and 20 men will be employed in its building.

## State Editors Elect Officers Today

BEND, July 23.—E. E. Brodie, President of the National Editorial Association, told the Oregon Editorial association today that the National association was trying to do in welding all newspapers of the nation into one functioning association. A. Whisnant, of Bend, read a paper by B. F. Irvine of Portland on "The Peoples Column" in which Irvine said much of Upton Sinclair's "The Brass Check" was "Hysterical and False." D. B. Botsford, of Portland discussed foreign advertising.

Officers elected on the report of the nominating committee were Herbert Bede, of Cottage Grove, president; Lloyd Riches, Vale Enterprise, vice president; Hale Hoan, Oregon City Enterprise, secretary treasurer, Douglas Mullarky, Redmond Spokesman, member of the executive committee. Resolutions adopted included: Thanking Bend; Changing the term of the president from two years to one; Increasing dues to \$5 a year; Advocating monument to Homer Davenport; Urging Typographical Union to relax the rules as to a number of apprentices allowed. Cottage Grove, Hood River, Corvallis, and Tillamook are seeking the next convention.

## Says Dennis Russell Was Here Wednesday

Dennis Russell, supposed victim of the Roseburg murder mystery, was in Klamath Falls Wednesday night, says Mrs. Snyder of the Blue Front grocery. Sheriff Low was not notified at the time, but hearing of the statement in a roundabout way today, investigated. He is inclined to place little credence in the story.

Mrs. Snyder lived in Roseburg but did not know Russell, at least not well enough to connect his name with his identity. A dusty stranger in a dusty car appeared at the grocery Wednesday night, and acted in peculiar fashion, said Mrs. Snyder. She thought she had seen the man before. Next day she saw a newspaper picture of Russell and believes that the Wednesday night customer tallied with the newspaper photograph.