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SHASTA VALLEY DETERMINED TO HAVE WATER

Government control of the Shasta Valley irrigation district, estimated in tentative surveys at approximately 120,000 acres, making it part of the Klamath Irrigation project, is now the aim of its promoters, who in conference with Secretary Fall Sunday secured an investigation by A. F. Davis, director of the United States reclamation service.

It is planned to take water from the Klamath river a short distance below Keno through a long canal system that would carry it over the mountains and drop it into the Shasta Valley. The surplus left for irrigation of the Shasta Valley lands would run off into the Shasta river and again into the Klamath.

Fifty thousand dollars has been raised for purposes of investigation—\$20,000 by appropriation of the California legislature; \$25,000 by assessment of the property in the district, and \$5000 by donation of the U. S. reclamation service.

This fund will be used to determine the feasibility of the plan, the investigations of engineers so far having failed to reach that point. The cost has been variously estimated in the past 15 years by reclamation service surveys and private engineers at from \$4,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

E. C. La Rue, hydraulic engineer, of Pasadena, California, examined the district, as a representative of the U. S. Geological survey in 1920. His letter to C. W. Watson, district engineer, is in the records of a hearing looking toward formation of the Klamath-Shasta irrigation project, held at Yreka, May 19 to 24, last. He says in part:

I note that certain interests in Klamath Falls are lining up against the proposition to divert the Klamath River water into Shasta Valley. The Shasta Valley project will probably cost from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000. You surely did not expect to carry through a development of this magnitude without opposition. If the project is feasible it certainly should be developed. The people of Shasta Valley are vitally interested in the development of this project. It is therefore to their interest to take steps as will determine its feasibility.

If the people of Shasta Valley are looking for advice from Klamath Falls, it is self-evident that Shasta Valley will never be irrigated.

I perhaps have as much or more knowledge regarding this proposed development than any other engineer. I spent three months in the Klamath River Basin this summer. A considerable portion of this time was spent in the study of problems directly and indirectly related to the Shasta Valley project.

No engineer or any other person, with the data available at the present time, would be justified in saying that the project is not feasible.

The feasibility of the project cannot be determined until a thorough study has been made of the available water supply and detailed surveys have been made to show definitely the amount of land that can be irrigated, and the cost of the irrigation systems necessary to put the water on the land.

It is my opinion that the people of Shasta Valley should cause investigations to be made in order that the feasibility of this project may be determined at the earliest possible date.

It must be apparent that the right to divert the Klamath river into Shasta Valley can be obtained now at less cost than at any future date.

Just how fast the project would go ahead if it proved feasible is a matter of conjecture. It would probably be five or six years, say engineers, before the Shasta Valley district could make use of the Klamath river water. There is a stupendous engineering problem involved in the building of the canal system.

There are three interests at present involved, whose ideas have not been reconciled, the Klamath Irrigation project land owners, the California Oregon Power company and the Shasta Valley residents.

One thing uppermost in the minds of local persons who take any interest in the matter is the absence of drainage problems if the

Sheriff Threatened For Alleged Favor To Dr. Brumfield

ROSEBURG, Aug. 23.—Sheriff Starmer today received a letter signed "I. W. W." from Portland, threatening him with death for his alleged good treatment of Dr. Brumfield.

The threat, penned in red ink, said the I. W. W. would invade Roseburg seven million strong. Sheriff Starmer tore up the letter, saying "Let them come. He denied Brumfield had been favored.

ANOTHER OIL CO. TO DRILL

The Klamath Basin Oil & Gas company is the latest to enter the local field. Announcement of its plans was made today by H. M. Johnson, one of the incorporators, who said drilling on their location, 400 yards southeast of the Siemens' well, should start not later than Thanksgiving day.

The incorporators, H. M. Johnson, B. W. Baldwin and W. A. Cloud, are men who have had experience in the oil fields in Nevada and have been here over a month looking into the Klamath Basin as a field to exploit. Many leases have been secured which join the Siemens' well site on the northwest. The location where the first well will be drilled has been selected on the George Grizel place, selection being made after a careful study of the conditions in that vicinity. Mr. Johnson states the evidence of oil structure in this locality cannot be denied and with this fact self evident, different geologists have selected this site and territory for the test hole to ascertain the apex or structure. They hold that their theory is proved by the gas pocket and oil discovered in the Siemens' well, showing that the center of the valley is the anti-cline. This theory is responsible, they say, for the selection of the land on this structure for their drilling operations. Credit is given for the investigations conducted at the Siemens' well for their location and Mr. Johnson feels that from his survey in other localities, under similar conditions, that the Siemens' well will prove a good producing well.

The Klamath Basin company is capitalized for \$200,000 and the first issue of stock will be sold at ten cents a share. This move is made to enable the small investor to secure stock at a price within his limit.

A large size Okell rotary combination drill will be used in the operations here. The officers and directors will be comprised of local men and will be a representative company. An organization meeting is expected to take place soon.

Banker Back From Long Vacation Trip

Charles Hall, president of the First National bank, and family, returned today from a vacation visit to Marshfield and other cities on the coast, and between. They covered 1500 miles on the trip.

While away Mr. Hall attended the Elks convention at Marshfield, his former home. Others who attended said that the "Hall for governor" topic was much in evidence in conversation. Mr. Hall himself said today that he was just where he was when he left here regarding the governorship—flattered that he would be considered fit for the office but with no announcement to make.

Shasta Valley district be taken over by the government there would come a time in its development when, because it was unhampered by drainage difficulties, it could make beneficial use of the waters of the Klamath water shed, and in face of such beneficial use Klamath could not retain the water by any claim of priority of water right.

The power company, in case irrigation took all the water available, would be forced off the Klamath river, with compensation, of course, for its plant and power sites.

COUNCIL LETS CONTRACTS FOR FIXING SIXTH

The attention of the city council last night was devoted to paving matters and one of the contracts let last night will be hailed with great delight not only among local automobilists but among tourists, the scarifying of the rough stretch of paving in front of the Ewauna Box factory on Sixth street. This contract was let to the Warren Construction company for the scarifying of three units of 5,434 yards at 20 cents, amounting to \$1,086.80. Among the audience at the council last night, much comment was created by this contract as the roughness of the spot in front of the Ewauna Box company has been a "sore spot" with many people in this city.

The contract for installing drains, manholes, catch basins and the moving and installation of pumps in the south Sixth street district near the railroad crossing, was let to Lorenz Plumbing company after two votes on the proposition by the council. The first vote taken on the matter showed the vote standing Councilman Hawkins, McCollum and West, nay, and Bogardus and Vollmer, aye. Separation of the units followed and the vote to let the scarifying job to the Warren Construction company and the drainage and piping job to Lorenz Plumbing company carried. It developed after the bids were let that Lorenz company were able to secure pipe at 70 cents less than the Warren Construction company yet both firms purchase supplies from the same company. The Lorenz contract was let for \$11,113 for installing 24 inch pipe at \$3.54 per foot; 15 inch at \$2.55; six inch vitrified pipe at 75 cents; man holes at \$94.85, catch basins at \$22.20, crushed rock at \$5.25 per yard and the moving and installing of the pumps, \$1,225. The present location of the pumps does not permit the sewage to disintegrate sufficiently for pumping out and the new location of the pumps will be a beneficial sanitation move.

A delegation of citizens interested in the sewerage conditions of the Railroad district, with W. T. Lee as spokesman, made a strong plea to the council for improved conditions and the street committee was instructed to confer and work out a solution with the interested persons. A resolution was adopted for this same district in regard to the equitable distribution of assessment of paving in this district on Oak street. Owing to the blocks being narrow, the lots extending to the center of the addition are included as it would be unfair, the council held, to throw the entire burden on the owners of lots abutting the street.

An ordinance was passed to its second reading providing for the paving of an alley in Block 17 to cost \$1259, the material to be either concrete, bitulithic or willite. At this point in the proceedings a resolution to include asphaltic concrete base in the specifications of all future work was passed.

A conference will take place with Capt. A. Wickstrum today relative to having cinders placed on the Pelican City road and the payment of \$1.25 a yard deferred until taxes come in next spring.

The balance due George Tugnot for payment in advance on the rejected High street unit was passed. Mr. Tugnot paid for the paving in front of property before it was rejected.

Fred Buesing petitioned the council for permission to repair his property at 1022-24 Main street and the matter was referred to the fire committee for a report on the extent of the damage done to the building.

The following permits were issued: J. A. Houston to erect two woodsheds on lots 9, block 47, First addition, and lot 5 of block 55, Nichols addition; P. J. Saterlee to enclose a back porch and build an addition on the west side of house on lot 3, block 76, Klamath addition; and to J. N. Guthrie to move a frame barn from 204 Michigan avenue to 706 Pierce street.

ACTIVE MONTH IS AHEAD OF LOCAL MASONS

The month of September will witness much activity in Klamath county Masonic circles and it is evident from the announced plans, that an effort towards making the stranger and the home people well acquainted, will be made. It is evident that sociability and lodge work will accomplish their purposes, for postal cards are included in invitations sent broadcast to Masons in this county yesterday for replies.

The list of activities set for this month includes the First Masonic ball on September 5; work in the Fellow Craft degree at both 2 and 7:30 o'clock, September 6; work in the Master Mason degree at 2 o'clock p. m., dinner at the White Pelican hotel and renewed work in the Fellow Craft degree at 8 p. m. on September 12; examinations in the Master Mason and work in the Entered Apprentice degree on September 16 at 1:30 p. m.; examinations in all degrees at 7:30 o'clock September 21; work in the Fellow Craft degree at 7:30 o'clock September 23; stated communication at 7:30 o'clock, work in Master Mason degree at 8 o'clock September 26 and on September 30, at 7:30 o'clock, work in the Fellow Craft degree.

The Masonic ball to be given September 5 is the first annual ball ever to be held here and the Masons are very anxious to have every Eastern Star as well as Masons from the "blue" to the 33rd present. The dance will be given at the Scandinavian hall and the decorating committee are instructed to give the hall an autumn touch in their decorating. On September 6 and 7th, a crack degree team from Orenomah lodge at Multnomah, Oregon, will be present to exemplify the work in the Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees.

Exalted Ruler C. A. Hayden, Mayor Wiley and Charles Hall returned yesterday from Marshfield where they attended the state convention of the Elks. All men reported that they had a wonderful time and that the convention was a great success. Entertainment of all kinds were afforded them and the trips in the regions of Marshfield were fine.

Mayor Wiley stated that never in the history of Elksdom in this state had a convention passed so smoothly nor had so much business for the good of the order been accomplished. The same report was made by Exalted Ruler Hayden.

Play to be Staged
For Church Benefit

A scene from "Little Women," one of the Ella Wheeler Wilcox's most famous books, will be given by Mt. Laki talent at the church benefit which will be given by that community Saturday evening, August 27. There will also be a place on the program for several vocal and instrumental numbers as well as reading given by local and outside talent. The admission will be 25 and 10 cents.

The entertainment is under the direct auspices of the Mt. Laki orchestra.

DEMURRER FILED IN
LAND LITIGATION

A demurrer was filed in circuit court today by Attorneys Stone and West in the suit of Henry K. Jackson against R. E. Spink. The plaintiff alleges that no consideration nor return of deeds for 169 acres of land near Chiloquin were made by Spink.

A recess was taken by the council until word can be received from a Portland bonding house relative to the sale of the Mills sewer bonds. Should an answer be received ahead of the next meeting, Monday August 29, another session will be held by the council this week.

Wanton Slaying of Doe Reported; Fawns Starved to Death

A party of huckleberry pickers from the region of Diamond lake who returned home this week report that while hunting berries they came across the body of a fresh slain doe also the emaciated bodies of two fawns who evidently stayed near their dead mother until starvation took them.

A number of similar cases where deer are killed out of season have been reported this season by berry pickers and nearly always, the slain animal has proved to be a doe. The Klamath Sportmen's association have also had cases reported to them of deer killing out of season.

In the case of the doe and her two fawns, such action is classed among hunters as wanton murder for in this case a natural increase was broken six fold, as the two fawns were both does.

CUSTOMS IN THE ISLANDS DIFFER

HONOLULU, T. H., Aug. 23.—Mainland newspaper men arriving in Honolulu for the first time to attend the World Press Congress sessions here in October will find it hard to believe at first that they are treading United States territory.

For in idiomatic language, customs, many foods, traditions, vegetation and climate, this far-flung outpost of the United States differs from the mainland as night differs from day.

As befits its position—"at the crossroads of the Pacific"—Honolulu probably is the most cosmopolitan community under the American flag. Here are Filipinos, Japanese, Chinese and natives of all other Pacific Ocean lands and islands in profusion. Bearded and turbaned Hindus stalk majestically the narrow streets and representatives of practically every other race and nation in the world are seen in town or along the exceptionally well built and maintained automobile boulevards that thread the island of Oahu, on which Honolulu is situated.

Visiting newspaper men will walk through shaded lanes of giant royal palm trees, crowned with bunches of green coconuts. In other districts they will crunch fallen dates which carpet the earth. They will eat "poi," to which is attributed the mighty athlete prowess of Hawaiians. "Poi" is made by crushing the roots of the taro plant, which resembles the sweet potato or yam of the mainland. Hawaiians eat it with their fingers and the varieties range from "one finger Poi" to "four finger Poi," the variation being in the consistency. The newspapermen will find alligator pears, which are a rare and expensive luxury on the mainland, common and comparatively cheap in Hawaii.

But perhaps the greatest difference between Honolulu and the mainland is in the adoption by nearly all residents of several dozen native words which are used in preference to English equivalents.

There is, for instance, no North, South, East or West. Instead of north it is "ewa," toward the Ewa plantation in the northern portion of Oahu. South is "waikiki," for the famed beach.

GERMANY WILL SIGN PEACE
TREATY IN NEXT FEW DAYS

BERLIN, Aug. 23.—Final instructions relative to the peace treaty between the United States and Germany have been received from Secretary Hughes by Ellis Loring Fresell, United States commissioner here. The treaty is expected to be signed in a few days at a special meeting of the German cabinet.

IRISH PARLIAMENT IS
CONSIDERING PROPOSALS

DUBLIN, Aug. 23.—Members of the Irish republican parliament, meeting here to frame a reply to the British government's offer of a dominion status for Ireland, divided its activities today between a secret session of parliament and a meeting of the executive committee of the Sinn Fein.

BIG SOUTHERN PINE OPERATOR BUYS IN OREGON

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—The majority stock holdings in the Oregon American Lumber company, which owns 24,000 acres of timber in northwest Oregon counties, and its subsidiaries, the Portland Astoria and Pacific railway and the Nehalem Boom company, have been purchased by the Central Coal and Coke company. This is according to a wire from D. C. Eccles, president of the lumber company who is in Kansas City handling negotiations.

Charles D. Keith, president of the Central Coal and Coke company, recently inspected the property. He is a large operator of the southern pine belt. This deal represents his entry into the western field.

Fire Prevention to Be Forum Topic

"Fire Prevention" is the theme for the forum tomorrow at the chamber of commerce luncheon and a large crowd is expected. Fire Chief Ambrose will describe the best methods of protection and will outline the situation here.

Mayor W. S. Wiley will talk on the same subject from the mayor's standpoint and it is expected that R. E. Smith will have some remarks to make from the insurance agents' view.

The women of the city, whether members or not, are asked to attend for there are many ways in which they can help prevent fires. Every luncheon is open to them, the chamber officials state.

Should Fire Marshal A. C. Barber of Salem come in tonight or tomorrow forenoon, the program may be changed but the same subjects will come up for discussion with the threatened fire insurance rate raise as an added feature.

Dimming Law Is Alleged Violated In Case on Trial

The trial of Luke S. Walker, charged with failure to dim the headlights on his automobile, was set for 2 o'clock this afternoon in Justice Gaghagen's court. The complaint was made at the instance of J. J. McMahon, deputy state automobile traffic officer.

The trial of the Puckett brothers charged with failure to provide license plates for two Sterling trucks, set for trial yesterday afternoon, was continued until September 3, at the instance of both District Attorney Brower and Attorney W. H. A. Renner.

Friday, August 26, the trial of Johnnie Hutchison will take place in this court, Hutchison being charged in a complaint with using a billiard cue on the persons of Oscar Barkley and Floyd Brown on August 20.

HOTCHKISS IS NOMINATED
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Clarence R. Hotchkiss of Portland was today nominated by President Harding as United States marshal for Oregon.

TWO IN A ROW FOR RUTH
CLEVELAND, Aug. 23.—Babe Ruth today hit two more home runs, making the season's total 48.

GOLD STRIKE AT KINGMAN
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—High grade ore of a good content, freely sprinkled with the yellow metal and visible to the naked eye, was encountered last week in the Gold Chain mine, at the new mining camp of Katherine, Union Pass district, 35 miles northwest of Kingman, Ariz., on the Nevada-Arizona boundary. Picked samples carried gold values running into the thousands.

BIG OLIVE ACREAGE
OROVILLE, Aug. 23.—There are 5000 acres of bearing olive trees tributary to Oroville, according to information obtained by Roy Parsons, traveling freight agent for the Sacramento Northern Railroad.