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Klamath Irrigation District Acreage 93 Per Cent Productive

Facts and Figures on Land Values of Irrigation District Are Assembled by Appraisers and Co-operative Board to Submit at Hearing May 24

For the first time in the history of the Klamath Irrigation district, the directors, water users or any person interested, can speak of the problems and potential prosperity of the project in other than general terms. As a result of the findings of the land classification board of the district, working under the local cooperative board, the district now has in black and white, vital statistics concerning the total acreage of the district, the per cent of productive and non-productive land and where the best land of the district lies.

Purpose of the work in ascertaining the productivity of each acre of land in the district, was to have facts and figures ready for the government board of survey and adjustment which meets here on May 24 to adjust costs on project land according to the productivity of the land.

In handling the classification of land, the board divided the lands into six classes, classes one to four being productive lands and classes five and six unproductive. The Klamath project was divided into five districts, each district being covered by a land classifier.

SUM FROM PROGRAM WILL BE USED FOR PLAY GROUND WORK

Final receipts turned in from the entertainment given last Friday night in the Scandinavian hall by members of the Central school Parent Teachers association resulted in more than \$114, cleared. To a packed house, the children of the school assisted by several numbers from outside talent entertained with folk songs, dances, recitations and musical numbers. The affair is the last to be given by the children before the close of school.

Definite decision as to the disposition of the money has not been made, however it is thought that part of it would go for play ground equipment and apparatus next fall. This will be decided at a meeting of the group, the first Tuesday in next month, June 2. On Wednesday, June 3, a luncheon will be held in the White Pelican hotel in honor of the teachers, to be given by the Central school Parent Teachers association. This will be the last event of the school year.

93.7 Per Cent Productive
Probably the most startling feature of the board's findings is per cent of productive land on the project. It was found that 93.7 per cent of the entire acreage on the project in Klamath county was productive and fell under one of the first four classes. Only 6.3 per cent of the district land was classed as unproductive, falling under classes five and six. The appraisers of the board devoted their research to just the project land in Klamath county. Between 40,000 and 80,000 acres of fine land in Tule lake, south of the state line was not covered by the classifiers, because it was located in the state of California.

Class One Leads
With class one designating the best land in the district and class six the worst, the following percentages of each class of land in the district as a whole were announced:
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LATE NEWS FLASHES

Negotiations to Begin
PARIS, May 13.—The first active negotiations for funding the French war debt to the United States will be begun within 15 days, it was learned authoritatively today.

Freed of One Charge
CHICAGO, May 13.—William D. Shepherd and his wife, Julie, were freed of charges made by a coroner's jury connecting them with the death of Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock, 16 years ago, when the grand jury today returned a "No Bill."

Smuggle in Liquor
SAN PEDRO, Calif., May 13.—Liquor valued conservatively by federal and city police of \$100,000 was landed by rum fleet off Southern California last night and today is snugly under cover in secret caches in Los Angeles.

Wealthy Chicago Man Fined
BOSTON, May 13.—Joseph Leiter of Chicago, who maintains a summer home at Beverly, pleaded guilty in United States district court to an indictment charging illegal possession of liquor and paid a fine of \$500.

Riverside Wins State Dentist Essay Contest

To Riverside school go all the honors of the city schools, in the essay contest sponsored by the state dental association, according to announcement made today by County School Superintendent Fred Peterson.

Genevieve Houston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Houston, 522 Fifth street, and Inelda May Telford, daughter of Harry Telford of Eagle Ridge carried away the honors of the city in the contest. Title of the essay was "Care of Teeth." Both girls are pupils at the Riverside school. Miss Houston is a member of the Seventh grade and Miss Telford, a member of the fifth grade.

Charissa Bushong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bushong, led all primary pupils of rural schools. Miss Bushong is a student at Plevna school, west of town.

DATE IS SET
Whether or not Ex-Governor Campbell of Arizona will be the speaker of the community dinner on May 29, in the White Pelican hotel under the auspices of the chamber of commerce, was not known late today through the chamber. The date set by the directors is May 29, tentatively, the date to be altered if Mr. Campbell can not make definite connections at that time. The dinner will embrace not only members of the chamber of commerce, but those interested in the affairs of Klamath county outside of Klamath Falls. R. E. Crego, W. W. McNealy and Fred Houston are arranging affairs for the banquet.
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OREGON ATHLETE IS NAMED COACH OF HIGH SCHOOL

Dwight French Will be in Control of Physical Education at K.C.H.S.

Dwight A. French of Eugene, University of Oregon athlete, will be head coach and director of physical education at the Klamath County high school next year, County School Superintendent Fred Peterson announced this morning, on receipt of a telegram from Mr. French accepting the position.

Mr. French, who has specialized in physical education work throughout his college career, and whose name has been identified with University of Oregon athletics for the past four years, will come to Klamath with high recommendations of his capacity as not only coach but also instructor.

Mr. French majored in physical education at the university and in that field elicited the praise from his instructors.

Career Versatile
His career as an athlete at the university covers three years on the varsity football team playing in the back field. Despite a serious injury to his knee the first season he played, his playing throughout was heady and consistent. Basil Williams, line coach for the University of Oregon declared in a recommendation to the county high school board, that French would have been a logical candidate for all coast half-back, had it not been for the injury. French also played basketball in the infield, basketball for several years, wrestled for the varsity team one year, played basketball on the U. S. Marines team during the war, and was active on the track.
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Hoppers Hatch On East Side Of Tule Lake

Freshly hatched from egg beds, undetected by farmers of Tule lake, a host of grasshoppers were swarming on several sections of land on the east side of Tule lake, according to a report received this morning by County Agent C. A. Henderson.

The hoppers have not attained full growth and are as yet no menace to crops. County Agent Henderson is planning to make an inspection of the hopper infestation either today or tomorrow, and if the situation warrants, will depend upon the "burner," to check the pest.

Burner a Success
The burner in the hopper season of 1923 and 1924, proved a remarkable success in protecting crops from the ravages of the destructive insect. The burner is wheeled along in front of the advancing hordes of hoppers and as legion after legion crowd formed, they are roasted to a crisp by the gas flame that shoots out the end of a hose-like connection.

"From information received here, it appears that the hopper outbreak in the Tule lake district is not serious," Mr. Henderson said. "It appears that the hoppers are prevalent in little strips of land, and not congregated in great numbers as in the past. However a close check will be made of the situation and proper protective measures taken."

Control Measures Success
Due to control measures instituted here several years ago and continued each year during the hopper season, the grasshopper infestation of Klamath has shown a steady decrease, indicating the success of control measures taken. Mr. Henderson plans on trying out a new method of controlling the hopper. Last year poison was cyanide in crystallized form. This year the same poison, but in a powder form, will be tried out.

SO THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW

(For the benefit of the people, many of whom did not reside here at the time, The Evening Herald today starts a series of articles on the history of the Strahorn railroad, from the date of its inception to the present time. Material for these articles is taken from the files of The Evening Herald.—Editor's note.)

Faith and optimism ran high in Klamath Falls and in the county on the night of August 17, 1916, when Robert E. Strahorn, railroad builder and promoter, stood before nearly 500 eager citizens and promised the construction of a railroad line between Klamath Falls and Bend.

These are the conditions which Strahorn exacted of the people of Klamath Falls at that meeting:

"First, right of way to be furnished free from the lower end of Upper Klamath lake through the city of Klamath Falls, via Olene and Yonna valley to Sprague River valley, a distance of about 40 miles.

"Second, suitable sufficient ground in and near this city for passenger and freight terminals, shops, roundhouse, stockyards and other necessary railway facilities, free.

"Third, a cash subscription of \$300,000 in exchange for capital stock or some other such equivalent interest in the company as can legally be given.

"Upon my part, I agree that immediately upon compliance with the foregoing and other assistance before referred to, we will commence construction on this portion of the line and carry it on as continuously and expeditiously as weather conditions will permit. I would expect to have the line in operation to Olene in three months, to Dairy within six months, and to Sprague River valley within one year."

Many residents of the Merrill and Malin sections were present at that rousing meeting, newspaper files reveal, for Strahorn with golden-crested words, painted a glowing picture of a branch line which would shortly reach out from Olene and tap the fertile farming country to the south.

As a result of the promises held forth by Strahorn the people of Klamath Falls at a general mass meeting adopted a resolution indorsing Strahorn and his railroad plans and pledging themselves to "take any other necessary action."
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NAME MEMBERS FIRE CAMPAIGN

June 22 to July 3 Set Aside as Time for Observance of Law in Klamath

Broadcasted from the state chamber of commerce at Portland, the Stop Forest Fires campaign is actively being carried out in Klamath county where the chamber of commerce is the central distributing point from Klamath Falls. Suggested members of the committee in charge were appointed from the chamber this afternoon.

The president of the chamber, Andrew Collier will represent that body, while others will include the groups with which they are identified. Mayor F. R. Goddard is expected to serve on the committee as are the following: County Judge H. H. Bunnell; J. Mueller, boy scout master; head of campfire girls, Mrs. A. L. Rice; president of Rotary club, W. E. Lamm; president of Kiwanis, R. E. Crego; president Sportsmen's association, Dr. W. R. Boyd; Klamath Forest Protective association, J. F. Kimball; Evening Herald, E. J. Murray; Klamath News, B. H. Stevenson; American Legion, F. R. Olds; president Klamath county federated clubs, U. E. Reeder; director of boys and girls clubs, Frank Sexton. Others from the library club, Ministerial association and several other bodies have not yet been appointed.

Due to the fact that, according to forest survey, more persons are in the woods from July third to July fourth, the campaign will carry on from June 22 to July 3, inclusive. It is hoped that the campaign will be carried on outside of the state, Lynn Sabin said today.

Mayor Goddard Vetoes Resolution Granting Sixth Street Permit

City Council Urged Not To Give O. C. & E. Any Extension or Easements Until City's \$300,000 Interest Has Been Fully Protected in Case of Sale

Another effort of Robert E. Strahorn to procure his Sixth-street franchise without the inclusion of a common-user clause met with defeat today when Mayor Fred R. Goddard vetoed the resolution by which the city council last Monday night sought to grant the 40-mile railroad the long sought easement.

In addition to reasons set forth in his former veto message of a similar resolution, Mayor Goddard today warned the council that it should not grant the Strahorn road any extensions or concessions of any kind unless the city first protect its \$300,000 "partnership" interest in the event of a bankruptcy sale or any other disposal of the little railroad.

The veto message follows:
"I am returning to you a certain resolution passed by the Common Council on May 11th, 1925, by a vote of three to two, disapproved for the following reasons:
"This resolution is in effect only an approval of a certain other resolution which I disapproved in a written message on a previous date. I therefore call the attention of the Common Council to all the reasons set forth in my previous message.
Bottle Us Up
"The resolution, as well as the former resolution or any other resolutions which may be passed by the Common Council without a Common User clause, is, in effect, a "bottling up" not only of Klamath Falls, but the fertile valley of Wood river, Sprague river, Yonna, Langell and Poe Valleys, Klamath, Merrill and Klamath County.
"In addition to the above statement, I take this opportunity to recommend to the Common Council that no permits, easements or franchises for further extension of roads or road beds be granted to the O. C. & E. Railroad company until the city of Klamath Falls has been secured against loss by bankruptcy sale, or otherwise, of its interest in the O. C. & E. company in the sum of \$300,000.00 and before any further extensions are granted, that Robert E. Strahorn and the O. C. & E. be required to give the city of Klamath Falls definite and substantial insurance that the O. C. & E. will build a standard gauge railroad on a well ballasted roadbed, without "switch-backs" to Bend, Oregon."
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SPEEDER JONAH SOAKED
LOS ANGELES, May 13.—Alva H. Floyd, whose severity toward speeding motorists was widely celebrated while he was municipal magistrate and recorder at Culver City, a suburb, faces a term of from 13 to 154 years in prison as a result of his conviction in superior court yesterday of falsifying public records in order to pocket the heavy fines he meted out to automobilists.

BROKEN ARMS
Two accidents on the playground of the Fairview school today resulted in broken arms plenty and next week a little boy and a little girl will appear with left arms in slings.

Several weeks ago, Alfred Grimm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grimm, broke his left arm. It was healing nicely when this morning he fell and broke it again. He is a student in the fourth grade of Fairview.

During the noon hour, Isabelle Guse, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Titus, was playing on the bar, when she lost her balance, falling to the ground and breaking her left arm, near the wrist. She was taken to the Klamath Valley hospital where medical attention was given. She is a student in the eighth grade, and makes her home with her mother at 1328 Oregon avenue.
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Auto Tourist Drives to Coroner With Dead Man in Seat With Him

MEDFORD, Ore., May 13.—A tourist in a light car drove up to the door of Coroner H. W. Conger's office yesterday with a dead man sitting upright in the seat beside him. The tourist was Edward Borghart of Irwin, Mo., and the dead man was Thomas Snodgrass of Phoenix, Ariz. According to Borghart, he picked up his companion while touring through Arizona several weeks ago, en route to the coast, Borghart wishing to go to Puget Sound.

Upon reaching Ashland, Snodgrass complained of extreme pain in his arms, so they stopped in Medford where medical treatment was secured.

Continuing their trip north, however, to Gold Hill, Snodgrass told Borghart to stop the car as he was dizzy. No sooner had the car stopped than the sick man's head dropped and a hasty examination showed that he was dead. Borghart instead of calling medical assistance, turned the car around and stopping in Medford for instructions, drove straight to the coroner's office.