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WHY FEDERAL RECLAMATION PROJECTS FAIL

Secretary Work claims that privately owned irrigation works are a success and that every federal project is a failure. The failure is due to the incompetency of the men in charge—the men whom Secretary Work backs up and supports against the evidence and against the demands of the farmers. Here in Klamath county we have seen the farmers brought to the point of bankruptcy through the dishonesty and incompetency of reclamation officials. Yet, Secretary Work turns a deaf ear to the demands of the farmers, with the answer that there are only a few malcontents and they principally big land owners. He sees the water and power stolen from the farmers, yet tells us that hasn't hurt the farmer so far. The trouble with Secretary Work is that he is either dishonest in his attitude, or he is thoroughly incompetent, and in either case it is going to be a difficult matter to break in upon his sensibilities to a point where he will see the injustice done to the farmers of the Klamath project by the Reclamation Service and its coalition with the California Oregon Power company.

The following editorial from the San Francisco Examiner tells a story that could be repeated about the Klamath project if the federal officials had not stripped it of all of the really valuable assets it possessed and turned them over to a private corporation:

Secretary Work recently came on a flying trip to California and spoke in praise of this state's electrical power development.

In this month's issue of "Progress," the monthly propaganda organ of the Pacific Gas and Electric company, Secretary Work is quoted as saying:

The privately built irrigation districts are a success all over the west, while not a single federal project is a going concern. Private against public ownership again. The latter won't work.

"If 'not a single federal project is a going concern,' past Secretaries of the Interior probably know why. But Dr. Work's tour through California was apparently too rapid for him to pause and take note of the Los Angeles municipal water and power system, which is in large part an irrigation feeder; and of the Modesto-Turlock irrigation district, which is certainly attaining remarkable success.

Modesto, selling its share of the power output of the Don Pedro project, lately reported a net profit of \$65,235.46. This was accumulated in the first sixteen months of operation, which included the driest season on record.

There are about 6,000 meters on the Modesto system, only sufficient as yet to use half its power; so the above profit was earned with half the capacity of the producing plant lying idle. Moreover, last year the district had to buy \$30,000 worth of water from this city, an exceptional expense which, under normal conditions, would have been added to the net profit.

Modesto has reduced its electricity rates until they are just about the cheapest in the state. Result: housewives throughout the district are installing "electric kitchens." There are 940 electric ranges in the Turlock-Modesto district today. The new Modesto Junior College, the Modesto high school and practically all the grammar schools are heated by electricity; new office buildings are installing electric heating instead of steam; the reason for this is that the publicly-owned system has the lowest rate, for heating and cooking, to be found in California.

Secretary Work should examine the Modesto data before making the sweeping statement that "public ownership won't work."

PLANE DASH UNDER WAY

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A young Icelandic, intends to make the attempt in a "blimp" or non-rigid airship.

OSLO, Norway, May 22.—Given favorable conditions, the two sea-planes of the Amundsen expedition which started from King's bay, Spitzbergen, yesterday afternoon, in an attempted flight to the north pole should be back at Spitzbergen in about 24 hours from the time of the take-off.

The distance to the pole, 1100 kilometers, or about 680 miles, was

expected to require about nine hours' flying time.

If a favorable landing place is not found at the pole, the journey from King's Bay to the pole and return should occupy about 18 hours and the planes should be back at King's Bay by this afternoon.

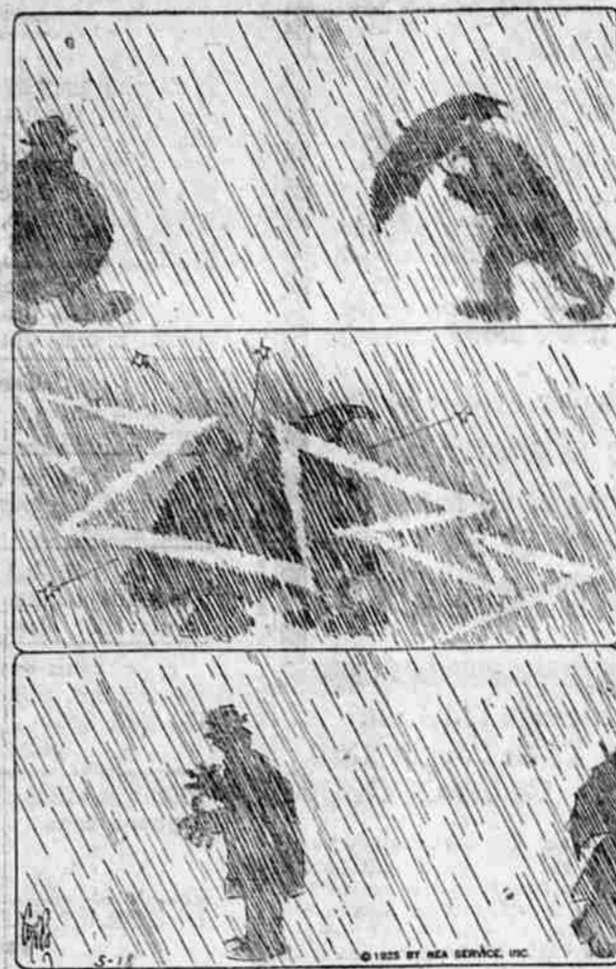
If trouble develops and the planes must be abandoned, the party will try to reach Cape Columbia, where the Peary expedition had a base.

Both planes were equipped with comforts and with skills and were fully equipped with emergency provisions sufficient for one month. They also carried sufficient guns and ammunition for killing game in Greenland.

The Norwegian government has empowered Amundsen to occupy any

EVERETT TRUE

By CONDO



Judge Carey Talks At Civic Luncheon; Railroad Is Topic

An insight into the trials and tribulations of a railroad company attempting to tap a new territory, was given Klamath Falls' Rotarians at their weekly luncheon this noon, when Judge Charles H. Carey, general counsel for the Hill Lines informally discussed the railroad situation as it has developed to date.

Mr. Carey in explaining the present status of the Hill Lines, entrance into Klamath territory, explained that all that had been told was all that could be told. He reviewed the steps taken by the Hill Lines toward getting action from the interstate commerce commission and explained the obstacle that had to be overcome by the incoming line.

WEATHER REPORT

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy shows the barometric pressure to have remained almost constant during the last 36 hours. Tendency this afternoon is downward.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Partly cloudy with moderate temperatures.

The Tyco's recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows: High 72 Low 39

Weeks-Ward Trial Terminates With Disagreeing Jury

For four long hours a jury of four men and two women strove to come to an agreement on the guilt or innocence of Frank Ward and Daniel Weeks, who yesterday were tried in the court of Justice of the Peace R. C. Spink in Chiloqueta, on the charge of possession of intoxicating liquor.

But the jury could not come to an agreement and at 8:40 p. m. reported that prospects at arriving at a verdict were blank. The magistrate dismissed the jury.

MERRILL CLUB MEETS

Potato Organization to Convene Next Saturday Evening
County Club Leader Frank W. Sexton today announced a meeting of the Merrill potato club to take place next Saturday evening in the club rooms. The Rev. C. C. Hulet is club leader.

FROM MERRILL

Miss Ellen McVeigh and Mother Spent Day in Klamath
Mrs. H. N. Bogus and daughter, Miss Ellen McVeigh, spent the day visiting in Klamath Falls from their home in Merrill. Miss McVeigh is a teacher in the Merrill schools and will teach again during the year of 1925-1926.

Forty Five Will Receive Diplomas

On the stage of the Pine Tree theater tonight the last act of a four-year play will be concluded when 45 members of the senior class of 1925 of Klamath County high school will receive their diplomas upon the completion of a college preparatory, science, domestic art or commercial course.

Professor U. G. Dubach of Oregon Agricultural college will give the commencement address.

Through a misunderstanding on the part of many who have not received invitations or announcements of the graduating exercises tonight, the common supposition is to the effect that invitations are necessary to attend the exercises. Members of the senior class this year were only given 17 invitations and there were many who did not receive the cards, due to this fact. However, the affair is open to the public and a large attendance is hoped for tonight to pay homage and bid farewell to the class of '25.

TAKING PICTURES

Flume at Copco Said to Be Larger Than Klamath Flume

According to A. E. Peasley and J. W. Hanners of Klamath Falls, who spent Thursday in Copco, Cal., taking pictures of the new flume for the Continental Pipe company, the flume is much larger than the Klamath one, being 15 feet, while the Klamath flume is only 12. The pipe company of Seattle wanted the pictures for depiction of their projects in active use. The chief engineer for the project is J. Cole of Seattle.

MRS. NEWCOMB RETURNS

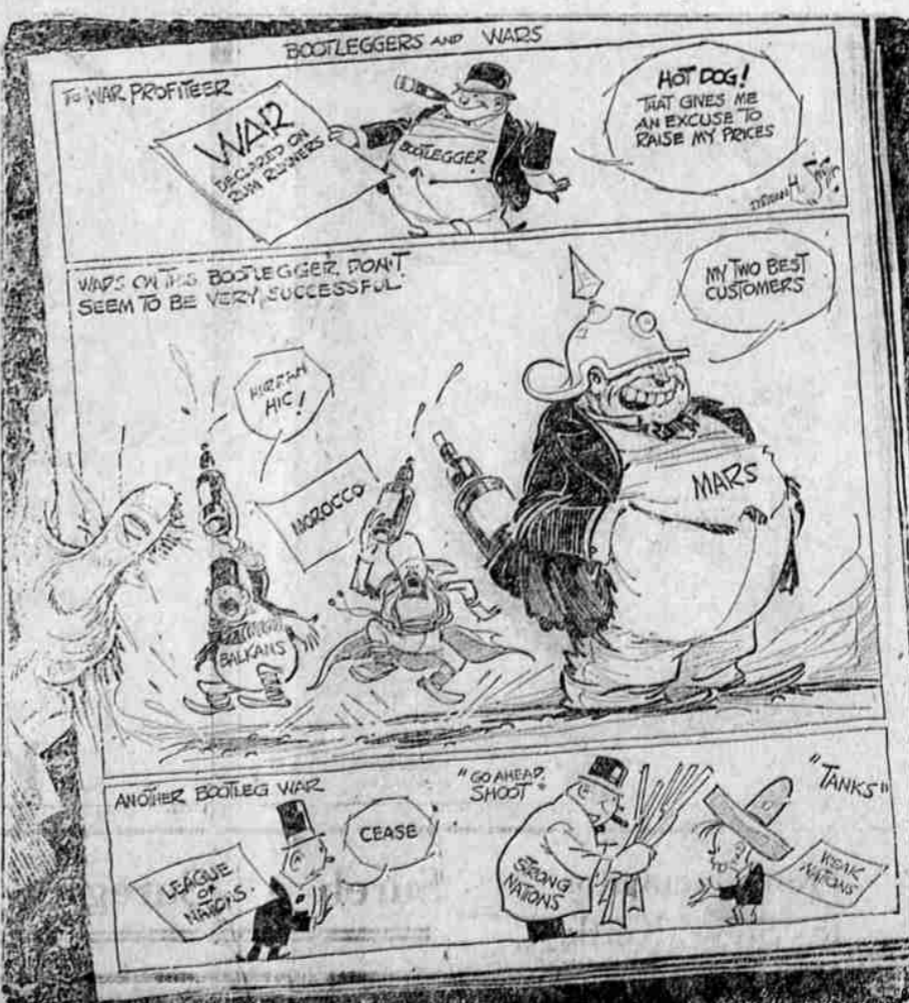
Month's Vacation Is Spent in California and Southern States
Mrs. Thalia W. Newcomb, secretary of the county fair board and assistant to County Agent C. A. Henderson, has just returned from an extended vacation throughout southern California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. She has been away for about a month and will assume her duties in the county agent's office next Wednesday. Mrs. Frank Jenkins of Marysville, Calif., is the guest of Mrs. Newcomb for several days. They left this morning for Williamson River and Sprague River territory for a few days outing, hunting and fishing.

HOVEY BUYS TIMBER

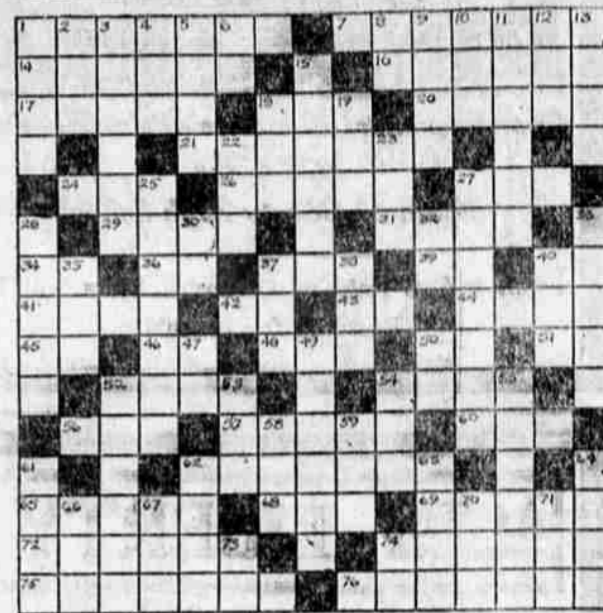
The return of Richard Hovey, California timberman, to Klamath was marked, as it usually has been in times past, by continuation of his blocking up on timber holdings in Klamath and Lake counties. Through the office of Maurice L. Johnson, real estate and timber broker, Mr. Hovey for a consideration of approximately \$2500 purchased a 160-acre tract of timber south of Silver Lake, from E. J. Seldman of Medford.

Mr. Hovey will remain in Klamath Falls, off and on, for about two months. His business will be confined to inspection of timber and possible purchase of more timber in the near future.

The Busy Man's Newspaper



TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

- Fortunes to be bequeathed.
- Ironic compositions.
- Weed head used to raise nap on cloth.
- Calm.
- Small barrels.
- Collection of facts.
- Guides.
- Spiral climbing plant stem.
- An important sex.
- Particles.
- To put on.
- Opposite of won.
- First part of the day (poetic).
- Alleged force producing hypnosis.
- Myself.
- Tough wood.
- Exclamation of laughter.
- The family's nominal head.
- Fairy.
- 3,1416.
- Morinda dye.
- Cog-wheel.
- Printer's measure.
- What girls say when they mean yes.
- To stop up.
- Yellow Hawaiian bird.
- You and I.
- Company of musicians.
- To poke.
- The greatest heater.
- Wealthiest tribe of Indians.
- Sharp cold.
- Small stoves.
- A cook's nibble.
- To fandle.
- Bag net used in fishing.
- Perfumes.
- Small chin beard.
- Dweller.
- Short coats.

VERTICAL

- To produce lines on metal by means of corrosion.
- Ocean.
- Ornament made of loose threads.
- To request.
- Examination.
- Hebrew name for Diet.
- Like.
- To relate.
- Wrath.
- Statement in explanation.
- The fish.
- Black fin snapper (fish.)
- Sottles income upon.
- An insect that saves for a rainy day.
- Upper human limb.
- To partake of food.
- Distinctive doctrine.
- Existing in name only.
- To persecute.
- Dumps.
- Point of compass.
- Exclamation of surprise.
- Passages for which money is paid.
- Lair.
- To assist.
- Favorite meat.
- Cat's foot.
- Upon.
- Subsided.
- Either's affinity.
- Brags.
- Female of the fallow deer.
- By.
- Expand.
- Fluid in a tree.
- To obtain.
- Orb.
- Flock.
- Portico.
- Rubber tree.
- Devoured.
- Chief linguist stock of China.
- Rodent.
- Tiny.
- Point of compass.
- To depart.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



CAREY TELLS OF HILL PLANS FOR CENTRAL OREGON

(Continued From Page One)

commission hearing, at which arguments for and against the construction of the Hill lines extension, will be probably postponed for a short time was the prediction of Judge Carey.

"We have sixty days to prepare ourselves for the hearing. But the mileage in the survey we are now projecting, is so extensive that I doubt whether we can get through in time. Also there are more definite statistics concerning tonnage, both present and potential that would be gathered. Therefore I think that we will probably have to ask for a brief continuation of the hearing.

In closing, the railroad counsel again expressed regret at not being able to lay anything concrete before the chamber.

Nothing More Definite

"The time will come in the near future when I can come to the city of Klamath Falls and lay something down on the table and give you something definite," he said. "But until that time, I can't say anything further than what has been said time and again in many different ways—namely that we are striving to build a railroad into Klamath county, on the ground that the potential tonnage of the Klamath country would justify the extension."

"I have been in many railroad scrimmages in the 40 years that I have been practicing law, and as a result I now look at these things from more or less of a philosophical point of view. I feel that the state is entitled to the railroad development that is now proposed."

Seated by the side of Judge Carey was A. J. Witcheil, chief engineer for the S. P. & S. and his assistant Guy V. Lintner, who is in active charge of the survey work crews which are now pushing ahead rapidly toward completion of the survey lines of the two proposed Hill line extensions into Klamath.

Yesterday, Mr. Lintner, Mr. Witcheil and Judge Carey, drove to Beatty and Bonanza, to inspect survey work in progress in that section.

Tomorrow, Judge Carey and the two engineers will spend part of the day in inspecting topography of the land in the Fort Klamath and Klamath Agency country. The party will continue on to Bend tomorrow and after a brief stay in that city, continue on to Portland.

PAUL LAMBERT FINED

Local Business Man Speeds on City Streets Yesterday

Paul Lambert decorated the mahogany of Justice of the Peace Hunsaker's court table yesterday afternoon with \$10, the price he paid for exceeding the speed limits on the city streets. He was arrested by County Traffic Officer R. E. Knowles.

DANCE at Bonanza Saturday Nite May 23 Club Orchestra