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AN ANSWER TO A PUZZLING QUESTION

In the brief discussion that arose between Chairman Campbell and Attorney Carnahan at yesterday's hearing before the Board of Survey and Adjustment, the chairman stated that there would be no more marked extension of irrigation until there was a turning back to the soil by the people. A somewhat similar view was expressed by Secretary Work and Commissioner Mead when they were here. Throughout the entire governmental ranks there is talk of the necessity for more farmers, for increased development of the lands now irrigated and a sort of astonishment at the apparent stagnation that has gripped many of the projects under the Reclamation Service.

We are equally astonished at the failure of these various agencies to understand what the trouble is. We may confine ourselves to the Klamath project. When the government came in here it promised water for \$20 an acre. That promise has never been kept. Most of the men who signed up at that time have cursed the day the Reclamation Service ever came here. This attitude is not due to the lack of faith in what water will do, but to their acquired lack of faith in the honesty of the men who represent the government.

These men have come in here with the attitude of czars. They lost sight from the start that it was not the government's money they were spending, but that of the farmers. They never failed to tell the farmers that every cent would have to be repaid. They always failed to make an accounting to the men who were to pay and resented any suggestions that might come from them.

Incompetency and waste ran riot, until the cost of the project mounted and mounted until it has brought our people to the brink of ruin. Every special interest that could be served at the expense of the farmers was served and it requires no astuteness for the ordinary man to see at the hearings that are being conducted in this city this week the open antagonism of every government employe to the welfare of the farmers and their special interests in everything that will militate against them.

They seem to forget that all possible power development, the power sites, the water rights, everything, belong to our people—not to the interior department, except insofar as it is part of what constitutes the people's government; that it is their duty as a matter of conscience, as honest employes of our government, as servants of the people who pay the bill, to get everything out of every asset that belongs to the project. That is all the people here want and that is what they are going to have if they have to continue the struggle until it is settled by their children's children.

As to a turning back to the soil, so far as reclamation projects are concerned, it will never occur until there is a turning back the money that has been wasted in their construction. As Secretary Work has stated, every federal reclamation project has been a failure. Why? Because they were handled by failures. As a result the cost has mounted to a point where successful farmers will not undertake their development, because they can invest their money elsewhere and secure greater returns.

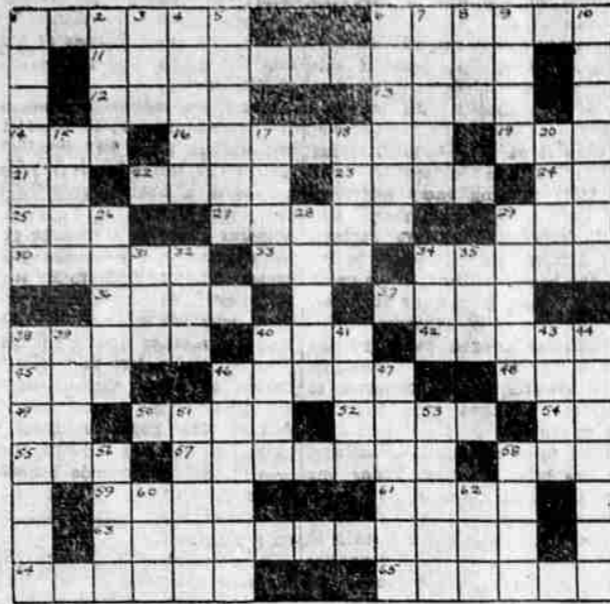
The time may come when all projects will be fully developed, but they will be developed upon millions of heart aches of the women and children whose lives they have ruined and whose happiness will lie buried in the soil. It will be upon the best years in the lives of the men who entered upon their mission with buoyant spirits, to come out in old age with a burden of poverty and misery so great that all the glory of a beautiful world cannot assuage.

God pity the men who are responsible for such results. If we had the power to pass sentence upon them, we would condemn them to carry through their lives the disappointment, the pain and suffering, the grief and sorrow of these women and children; we would load them down with the stunted lives and thwarted hopes and ambitions that were blighted by reasons of their acts; we would make the heart aches suffered by their victims eat into their very souls until their every moment would be a hideous torture; and when the hour of death arrived it would be such as no mortal ever suffered or described. Beyond the grave we would let the penalty they have earned pursue them, so that they would suffer in multiplied form the hell they dispensed upon earth and then regret that our power to punish was restricted to such limited means.

They would then realize in part what they have dispensed throughout the projects of the west and what they

will continue to create unless they reverse their attitude towards the people who have so confidently placed their trust in the hands of their government.

TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE



- HORIZONTAL**
- Saturn or any large body revolving about sun.
 - Degraded.
 - One skilled in stuffing animals.
 - Jewel.
 - Mexican dollar.
 - Jelly.
 - Butcher's instrument.
 - Very small.
 - Hebrew word for Dolly.
 - Woody stalk of a plant.
 - Gaelic.
 - Preposition of place.
 - Animal used for food.
 - Double (time).
 - To employ.
 - To harass.
 - Sorrowful.
 - Any animal that burrows in wood.
 - To go in search of.
 - To carol.
 - Deadly.
 - Truck.
 - Wants.
 - Before.
 - Tendon.
 - Seated.
 - Three-toed sloth.
 - At sea.
 - Region.
 - Toward.
 - Account.
 - Clubfoot.
 - Small eccentric wheel.
 - Epochs.
 - Portico.
 - Those who treat with others with a view to an international agreement.
 - Decayed.
 - Oration.

- VERTICAL**
- Scheme.
 - Particle.
 - To sleep.
 - To elicit.
 - Plowed.
 - Unit of electrical current.
 - Litters.
 - Almost a donkey.
 - To fill.
 - Poetic line of two measures.
 - Plant yielding bitter drug.
 - Birds similar to ostrich.
 - Grass land (South Africa.)
 - To relieve.
 - Refuse.
 - Heathen.
 - Impels.
 - Ocean.
 - Long smooth fish.
 - Box for flour.
 - Unit.
 - Plume.
 - Melody.
 - Small glass bottle.
 - Low tide.
 - Granted facts.
 - Animal food basket.
 - Part of year.
 - Wrenches.
 - Platform.
 - To impede by estoppel (law).
 - Proclivity.
 - Box and contents.
 - To soak flax.
 - Metal in rock.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



THREE BURNED

SALEM, May 29.—Three men were burned and narrowly escaped death in a fire in Riner's Camp on the Valley and Siletz line on the Big Lunklamute on Tuesday afternoon according to word received here today.

STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

By CHARLES P. STEWART
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, May 29.—The Wheeler defense committee has raised \$5000 to fight the Washington conspiracy case against Senator Burton K. Wheeler. Contributions are from all parts of the country, some under \$1. The big contributors thus far are ex-Congressman and Mrs. William Kent, California—\$250. The committee wants \$25,000.

Wheeler isn't rich. His Montana case cost him a good deal. To illustrate, when the prosecution announced the New York lawyer, Hayes, as a witness, Wheeler realized that he needed rebuttal testimony.

He relied for it on three New Yorkers whom he had to find in a hurry. He couldn't trust the very justice department which sought his conviction to look for them, so he had to hire private detectives.

Before the trio reached Great Falls, Hayes had told so weak a story that they were turned back. But that bill alone exceeded \$1000.

The Washington case will be still more expensive. Most of the Montana witnesses were right there. They'll have to be brought to Washington. Perhaps Wheeler could manage it by straining his last resource, but his friends feel it will be hard if he has to sacrifice home and home to vindicate himself—especially if the Washington charges prove as flimsy as those in Montana were. Of his conviction they express no fear, but said one of them: "I'll be surprised if there isn't at least one juror to insure a disagreement. There wasn't in Montana, but Washington's different."

Wheeler's lucky in his friends. But for them the justice department would break him financially, if not otherwise.

The State Department looks with tentative satisfaction upon Leon Trotsky's return to power in Russia. The department realizes it may be disappointed but just now it thinks the outlook encouraging. As the world knows, even Lenin admitted undiluted communism had failed and sanctioned a partial restoration of capitalism. Trotsky favored its complete restoration. A good communist until he tried it, he'd had enough. After Lenin died, he came out openly for whole hog capitalism.

You have to give Trotsky credit for sense and nerve to change his mind but it cost him his job as war minister. It would have cost him his life but the radicals were afraid. He still had too many supporters. So they exiled him. Now he's back. One possible explanation is that he's recanted his heresy. A likelier one is that the radicals got into such a jam they had to have him. In that case he probably will run things to suit himself—capitalistically. He may even be practical business man enough to acknowledge Russia's foreign debts. That's all Washington can ask. Indeed, it would make popular here, and doubtless his government would be recognized.

Trotsky welcomed as a conservative!

FARES ARE CUT

SEATTLE, May 29.—A 25 per cent reduction in cost of fares for single passengers having exclusive occupancy of a compartment, was announced here today by the Southern Pacific Railway.

COPCO INTEREST IS WELL GUARDED

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this feature of the hearing Chairman Campbell exhibited remarkable acumen and keen understanding of a complicated problem and brought out facts that may be productive of benefit in the final report to be made by the Board.

Following Mr. Bradbury, A. H. Lamm consulting engineer of Portland, was called to the stand by the Klamath Irrigation district. Mr. Lamm is a graduate of Hanover University, Germany and has been practicing his profession in this country for nearly a quarter of a century as a consulting engineer since 1919. His report, which he read and discussed in detail, elicited much favorable comment and at the close Chairman Campbell complimented Mr. Lamm on the lucidity of the document, the comprehensive manner in which it was prepared and his efficient presentation of its salient features to the board. This report will be printed in full next week in the Evening Herald.

Campbell-Carnahan Tilt

It was in the discussion of this report that Chairman Campbell and Attorney Carnahan exchanged some ruder thrusts that enlivened the proceedings. It arose over the question of possible acreage to be irrigated. In the report, Mr. Lamm allotted to Tule lake an area of 75,000 acres and to Lower Klamath lake 59,000. When Project Manager Newell was called upon to verify these figures, he cut this acreage to 35,909 for Tule lake and 27,500 for Lower Klamath Lake.

With his usual verbal gymnastics he kept repeating, each time he used his figures, "to the Oregon state line." It was a puzzling expression until Mr. Campbell put him on the gridiron and made him admit that there was no present intention of irrigating the lands south of the state line.

"That's just the point," exclaimed Mr. Carnahan. "Realizing that if the full available acreage is irrigated, the power company will lose the water that is being filched from the farmers of this district without one cent of return, it is now proposed to cut down the acreage so that every acre the area of the project is reduced means just that much more water to pour through the penstock of the California Oregon Power plant at Copco. Everything for the Power company; nothing for the farmer."

Campbell Doubtful

"I wish to take issue with you, Mr. Carnahan," was the prompt response of Chairman Campbell, as over the faces of the Power company coteries a smile of relief beamed. "I happen to know something about that and it has nothing to do with the aiding in the procurement of additional water for this Octopus that seems to you to be reaching out in this community.


"As chairman of a committee, before which this matter was discussed, as it applies not only to this project, but to all others, it was decided that no more additional areas would be irrigated until those now under water were farmed and there was a turning back to the soil on the part of the people. You make your statement with a positiveness that would lead one reading the records, or this board if it did not know the facts, or this audience to believe it

RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

F. H. Seeley, of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will personally be at the Medford hotel, and will remain in Medford Saturday and Sunday, only June 6 and 7. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatic Shield will not only retain any ease of rupture perfectly, but but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case. Being a vast advancement over all former methods—exemplifying instantaneous effects immediately appreciable and withstanding any strain or position no matter the size or location. Large or difficult cases, or infectious ruptures (following operations) especially solicited. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatments or prescriptions. Warning—all cases should be cautioned against the use of any elastic or web truss with understraps, as same rest where the lump is and not where the opening is, producing complications necessitating surgical operations. Mr. Seeley has documents from the United States Government, Washington, D. C., for inspection. He will be glad to demonstrate without charge or fee them if desired. Business demands prevent stopping at any other place in this section.

P. S.—Every statement in this notice has been verified before the Federal and State Courts.—F. H. Seeley Home office 117 N. Dearborn St. Chicago.

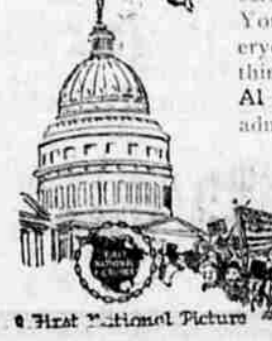
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was backed up and based on fact, while it is merely suspicion."

Carnahan Replies

"It may be suspicion, but a violent one—a suspicion based upon a record that points to a continued series of special privileges which places the Power company always in the role of right and the farmers in the role of wrong. It may be suspicion, but strong enough to convince me that it is right and circumstantial enough to answer for fact."

"That may be, but suspicion, nevertheless. Let us proceed." And like the woman who was drowned by the husband, he had the last say.

Sale Probed

This brought to a close the discussion of the Lamm report and the Board then proceeded to take up the matter of the District's contention that the sale of the Ankeny and Keno canals and Leavitt power site was wrongfully made. The question was handled by Mr. Carnahan, who in opening the case stated that he was there at the direction of the District and as their legal representative he was going to present their side of the case in the best light possible and if at times he appeared to be emphatic in his statement, it would be without disrespect for the Board and only due to his zeal for his client.

Oregon Cherries Banned In South

SACRAMENTO, May 29.—Shipment of cherries into California from all but six Oregon counties is barred indefinitely, under the terms of an embargo declared late yesterday by George H. Hecke, director of the state department of agriculture. The embargo was declared following the discovery of so-called cherry fruit fly on a shipment recently received here. The counties exempt from the quarantine ruling are Hood River, Wasco, Umatilla, Curry, Josephine and Jackson counties of Oregon.

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Forecast for next 24 hours—Cloudy with moderate temperatures. Conditions favorable for showers.
The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:
High.....64 Low.....44

To keep sandwiches from drying out, they are put into a deep dish and covered completely with a damp cloth. In making sandwiches for a picnic lunch, they are wrapped in waxed paper.
A hot knife will slice bacon thin. Glass stoppers are prevented from sticking by dipping in melted paraffin before they are replaced in the bottle. This same process prevents contents of bottle carried in traveling from spilling.