

OREGON & CAL. NAV. COMPANY ORGANIZES.

Will Make Improvements Along Lake Front.

Will Build Large Passenger and Freight Steamer with Cabins Fore and Aft, Dining Room, State Rooms, Etc. Heated by Steam, and with Electric Lights.

The Oregon & California Navigation Company filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State at Salem, July 22, with a capital stock of \$25,000. The general nature of this business shall be the transportation and carrying of persons and personal property by boats, propelled by steam, gasoline and sails. Scows to be towed and row boats, buying and selling grain, hay, wool, agricultural products generally, wood and lumber and transporting same; towing scows, rafts, logs, etc., on Upper and Lower Klamath Lakes, Little Klamath Lake and Klamath River, its outlets and tributaries.

The company has purchased water front along Lake Ewauna and will erect suitable buildings, docks, warehouses, etc., necessary for transaction of its business.

The incorporators are Major Chas. E. Worden, G. W. White, President of the First National Bank, and Wm. S. Worden, the personnel of which assures the project success.

A large new steamer will be built with accommodations for both passengers and freight, the plans contemplating cabins fore and aft, dining room, state rooms, etc., heated by steam and lighted by electricity.

Work has already begun on the new dock at the foot of Pine street, with 160 feet frontage on the lake. The contract for the piling has been let and men began on the rock work Tuesday. Lumber is being put on the ground for a two story building. The first story will be used for offices and warehouse and the second story for passengers. A boat house will also be built for row boats.

MORE LAND WITHDRAWN.

As engineers who are working on Klamath River extend their examinations, they find that it is probable that a larger area can be irrigated from Klamath River than was originally contemplated. They consequently recommended, and the Secretary of the Interior today withdrew from all, save homestead entry, nearly 400,000 acres lying south and east of Klamath Falls in Klamath County, and adjoining previous withdrawals in this vicinity. He also withdrew 500,000 acres in California lying tributary to the Klamath River. The additional withdrawal of Oregon lands covers the following townships: The northeast quarter and the south half of township 40, range 8; townships 40 and 41, range 9; townships 37, 38 and 41, range 10; township 38, range 11½; townships 38, 39, 40 and 41, range 11; townships 39, 40 and 41, range 12; township 41, range 13; township 40 and 41, range 14, all inclusive.—Oregonian, July 23.

WANT IRRIGATION.

Malheur County Water Users Will Form an Association.

VALE, Oregon, July 20.—The committee of 17, appointed at the mass meeting held in this city last Saturday for the purpose of forming an association of water users to make terms with the Government for the reclamation of the arid lands of Malheur River Valley, held an all-day session here to-day. J. D. Whistler, Chief Engineer of the reclamation service for Oregon, and B. A. Fowler, president of the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association, of Phoenix, Ariz., were present during the entire sitting of the committee, Mr. Whistler to make known to the committee the plans, policies and requirements of the Government in relation to the Malheur project, and Mr. Fowler to instruct as to manner and methods of organizing and incorporating the association.

There was perfect harmony and accord between the committee and the agent of the Government and among the members of the committee great enthusiasm prevailed throughout the entire session of the committee. After adjournment leading members of the committee expressed themselves as fully assured that the project will speedily materialize.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Chas. E. White of Klamath county, the farmer capitalist, has been in this section, looking after his business interests.—Southern Oregonian.

Warner Snider has been busy the past week making an abstract from the records in the land office for J. W. Hamakar.

Mrs. S. T. Summers of Klamath Falls passed through Sunday, on her way home from Portland, where, as a delegate she attended the convention of the D. of H. Mrs. J. N. Summers, also of Klamath Falls, who has been visiting here, returned home with her.—Tidings.

A woman got in the way of firemen at Myrtle Point, and a fireman told her that if she didn't get out of the way he would turn the hose on her. She replied that she would turn them herself when she returned home, and explained that in the excitement of responding to the fire alarm she had not noticed that she put them on wrong. At least that is the way the Enterprise tells the story.

The Oregonian of July 20 says: "A rather interesting schedule of rates as charged by the Equitable Life appears in to-day's advertising columns. The rates are extremely low, but they are based on scientific calculations. Every person pays for himself only, or rather, for the age attained by that particular insurer, and no portion of the premium is used to pay for older members. There is no guesswork about the methods of the Equitable, it is the strongest life insurance company in the world, and receives preference wherever it is best known. In the home state, New York, the Equitable Life does every year, a much larger business than any other company."
W. S. Worden,
Resident Solicitor.

Thos. Schlegel now has his lime kiln finished, and has already turned out some lime of the best quality. He is able to turn out 20 bushels of lime every eight hours. He calls it the patent continuous kiln. His new brick yard will be covered by a slanting roof, and his next make of brick will be much better than the first as the roof will protect the brick from the storms. He is also putting in a new grinding machine and his new ring oven will hold 30,000 bricks and be burnt in four days.

IMPROVEMENTS IN KLAMATH FALLS.

Thousands of Dollars Being Spent.

A Series of Articles which will Show Some of the Permanent Improvements Now Being Made in Our City.

The object of these articles is not to give the impression that Klamath Falls is on a boom, but just the opposite. They are for the purpose of showing the steady, healthy growth of our city and business institutions. Nearly all the improvements now being made are by our own citizens, who have been in business and made their money here, and are now forced to enlarge and rebuild in order to accommodate the constantly increasing trade. We cannot publish all the improvements in one issue, and it is our intention to begin at the bridge and give the improvements as we go down Main street, publishing the same from week to week. The following improvements are now actually being made: C. E. Worden, estimated cost, \$800. Mr. Worden now has men at work on his property in the rear of the Navigation Company's dock, constructing a one-story frame building, with a floor-space 16x32. This building will be used as a laundry.

Reames and Jennings, estimated cost, \$5000. This firm has in course of construction a modern two-story solid stone building. The material is all Klamath County sandstone, and is taken from the quarry near the city. The building adjoins their big department store and has a floor space 24x61. The front will be fitted up with large plate-glass windows. The second story will be divided into nine or more rooms and rented for offices, etc. Reames and Jennings have also put a new plate glass front in their present store building, and now have excellent facilities for displaying their goods before the public. Upon the completion of the new store it will make nearly an entire block of stone building, the Bank Exchange being the only frame building in the block.

Klamath Hotel Company, estimated cost, \$5000. The incorporators of the Klamath Hotel Company have the excavation made and the masonry work completed for the addition to the Hotel Linkville. The carpenters are now at work on the frame. This addition will contain three floors and will add 45 sleeping rooms to the hotel, besides a large sample room 14x41 feet. The rooms will be built in modern style, with water works and electric lights, and the company may put in a heating plant. It will take over 120,000 feet of lumber to build the addition. The estimated cost was \$5000, but it is now believed it will run over \$8000. A new balcony will be built, and with a new coat of paint the big building will present a very attractive appearance.

Bishop's Furniture Store, cost \$1500. The old land mark known as "Reames' Opera House" has been completely rebuilt. The old shed sides have been torn down and a new square front added. The shingles have been torn off and a new roof put on, and the building now

has the appearance of a new, up-to-date store. The floor space, which is well filled with modern furniture, is 45x74 feet. The ceiling is high and the building is roomy and light. The basement, which is 30x74 feet, is used by Mr. Bishop as a workshop and store-room.

TO BE CONTINUED.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

St. Louis, Mo., July 22, 1904.
To the Editor of the REPUBLICAN.

SIR,—We started for the Fair yesterday morning, and after passing through the entrance at the Administration building, we found all sorts of souvenirs for sale. A little further along are lunch stands with all kinds of eatables. Next is the Administration building in which are the offices of the Exposition. Next to it are the relics of the Egyptians, consisting of caskets, statues and mummies. One of the mummies has the cloth taken off from the head, and you can see the hair and the blood oozing from the eyes; the other one is not uncovered. The first is 200 years B. C. and the second 800 B. C. After leaving this place we went to the Forestry, Fish and Game exhibit. We went direct to the Oregon exhibit, and saw different kinds of wood. Klamath County has a fine exhibit of trees, consisting of pine, cedar, juniper, fir and sugar pine. We also saw a picture of the largest tree in the world, and it was cut in Oregon. It measured 32 feet in diameter. There are some large Chinook salmon on exhibit; the man that had charge of the exhibit was very kind to us, showing us the different things.

From there we went to the Agriculture building and saw all kinds of grains and fruits. The tobacco exhibit is large, covering the entire end of the building. From there we went to the Sunny Side Distillery and saw how whiskey is made. The whiskey that is first made is pure white, but after being kept in charred barrels for four years it changes to a dark brown.

From there we went to the Philippine grounds, and visited the fierce Moros, who are head-hunters. They are always ready to make war on other tribes, but with America they are good friends and have never caused any trouble. The children like to stay in the water, and it is great sport to watch them dive for money, which the people throw in the water—they always find it. From there we went to the Walled City, where Mr. Applegate has his office. He was not in at the time, but Ross Sutton was there. He was glad to see us, and was glad to hear that Klamath Falls was booming. He has been there since April. He was the first person whom we knew since we left home. From there we went on the Pike, or the Funny street, and watched the different tribes show, and then we went home. Yours truly,

JESSE SIEMENS.

The most prosperous town is the one where there is the greatest evidence of local pride. It doesn't require mansions and great lawns and trappings of wealth to make a prosperous town or city; but order, cleanliness and the evidence of civic pride are an absolute essential. The neat, clean, well-kept home with the evidence of personal interest, clean streets and back alleys free from rubbish, the things that may be possessed by all save the really unfortunate, are the things on which prosperity in a large measure rests.—Exchange.