

TOWNSITES UNDER KLAMATH PROJECT

Favor the Government Supplying Water and Power
to the Towns Under the Klamath Project.

The following resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Klamath Water Users Association at their regular meeting last Saturday. Inasmuch as this is a matter of the greatest importance to the people under the Klamath project, and one which it is to their interest to consider and take action on, the Republican prints in full a copy of the bill referred to in the resolution. The resolution as adopted is as follows:

WHEREAS, certain towns have been furnished water, from year to year, by private companies from canals which have been taken up by the United States Reclamation Service and included in the Klamath project, thus depriving said towns of the customary use of such water; and

WHEREAS, such, and all other towns within said project, have continually urged this Association to try to devise some means by which they might come into the Association and purchase rights to the use of water available under the Reclamation Act; and

WHEREAS, such provision would bring about a certain unification of interest between town and country that would greatly add to the harmony of the project; and

WHEREAS, nearly one-half of the land under said project is public, certain portions of which it will doubtless be desirable to reserve for town-site purposes; and

WHEREAS, the possibilities for power development in connection with the Klamath project are very great, and it will become very desirable that provision be made whereby such power may be leased for municipal and other purposes;

THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Klamath

Water Users Association:

That, It is heartily in favor of the enactment, by the Congress of the United States of America, of Senate Bill, No. 87, entitled, "A Bill Providing for the Withdrawal from Public Entry of Lands Needed for Town-site Purposes in Connection with Irrigation Projects Under the Reclamation Act of June 17, 1902, and for Other Purposes."

Attest: P. L. FOUNTAIN
E. I. Applegate, Vice President
Secretary.

The following bill was introduced in Congress by Mr. Heyburn and was read twice and referred to the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation. Copies of the foregoing resolution were sent to the Committee and to our Senators and Representatives, and their favorable consideration of the bill was earnestly urged. It would be well for those interested in the various towns under the project, to get together in a petition for the passage of the bill, and to ask the cooperation of town authorities, commercial organizations, etc.

A BILL
Providing for the Withdrawal from Public Entry of Lands Needed for Town-Site Purposes in Connection with Irrigation Projects Under The Reclamation Act of June seventeenth, Nineteen Hundred and two, and for Other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Secretary of the Interior, may withdraw from public entry any lands needed for town-site purposes in connection with irrigation projects, under the reclamation act of June 17, 1902, and survey and subdivide the same into town lots, with appropriate reser-

ations for public purposes.

Sec. 2. That portions of the lots so surveyed shall be sold at not less than their appraised value at public auction, to the highest bidder, from time to time, and upon such terms of payment as may be deemed advisable by the Secretary of the Interior. The expense of sale shall be paid from the proceeds thereof, and the balance shall be conveyed into the reclamation fund.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to expend from the Reclamation Fund for the construction of water and sewer systems and other municipal improvements, in any such town, an amount not exceeding the total proceeds of the sale of lots in such town.

Sec. 4. That the moneys expended for such municipal improvements shall be repaid into the reclamation fund by the town authorities, in annual installments, not exceeding twenty, as fixed by the Secretary of the Interior, such payments being paid in the manner provided by the Reclamation Act.

Sec. 5. That the public reservations in such town sites, as surveyed by the Secretary of the Interior, shall be improved and maintained by the town authorities, at the expense of the town, and upon the repayment of the moneys expended for municipal improvements as herein provided, the said reservations shall be conveyed to the town, with the proviso that they shall be used forever for the purposes for which they were reserved.

Sec. 6. That the Secretary of the Interior may sell and dispose of rights to the use of water available under the provisions of the said Reclamation Act for municipal, domestic, fire and other necessary purposes, to any city, town or village, established as hereinbefore provided; and also to any other cities, towns or villages in or near irrigation projects, under the reclamation act. Such water rights shall be applied for by the proper town authorities subject to the provisions of the Reclamation Act, in so far as the same may be applicable, and the annual charges therefor shall be paid by such town authorities, in annual installments as fixed by the Secretary of the Interior, for irrigation projects.

Sec. 7. That town-sites within irrigation projects under the Reclamation Act which have heretofore been reserved or sold, in whole or in part, under the provisions of Sections 2380 and 2381 of the United States Revised Statutes, shall be subject to the provisions of this act; and the proceeds of the sales of lots in such town-sites shall be subject to use as provided for the sale of town sites established under this act.

Sec. 8. That whenever there is a development of power for use in connection with irrigation projects, under the said reclamation act, or an opportunity for the development of power, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to lease, for municipal or other purpose, the right to use any surplus power developed, or which can be developed, in such manner and upon such terms as he may deem proper, and any moneys received therefor, shall be returned to the reclamation fund, and credited to the corresponding project in the manner determined by the Secretary of the Interior. Such power development system shall be regarded for all purposes of the Reclamation Act as a part of the irrigation system. PROVIDED: That if the use of such waters for the development of power shall at any time become incompatible with any feasible extension of the use of such waters for irrigation purposes, these lease therefor shall not be renewed.

The following letter was received last week by Judge Baldwin from Miss Evelyn Applegate, who is at San Jose. Miss Applegate is a thorough musician and a capable judge of the good qualities of a piano, and her endorsement of the instrument purchased by the High School further proves that the committee were wise in their selection. She says: "I have been very much interested in reading of the purchase by the citizens of Klamath Falls of the fine piano for the High School. Places much larger than Klamath Falls would indeed be proud to have in their schools an instrument like the one owned by your school. Please put me down for five dollars towards the payment of the same."

Go to Mannings for a new pipe.

VIEWS ON POLITICS

Our Lorella Correspondent
Visits Political Training
Stables at County Seat.

Having just returned from the Falls I will give you my views on the coming political race. While there I visited the Democratic stables and the ndags all seem to be in fair shape.

The great handicap race, distance four years, purse \$3000, given by Klamath County for plenty of legal talent. It is the star April race.

The entries are Baldwin, Bishop and Griffith. After sizing them up carefully will give my views of the race. Baldwin is in rather heavy condition with a six story brick shoulder. Bishop is in lighter with furniture, and Mr. Griffith has only alfalfa to carry. The race is between Baldwin and Griffith. Will not lay any odds until they start.

In race 2 there is nothing to it. Silas is a long strider and will simply have to gallop over the course and take down the purse for sheriff for the next two years.

George for clerk is trained to the hour and one of the best nags in training. He will win. Nothing to it but the shouting.

If Dan, of Bonanza, will train he would win easy but Dan says he don't like to start. One of the best political trainers in the county informed your correspondent that he would put Dan in tip top shape in thirty days to make the race of his life for commissioner. If Dan don't back he has the speed and is in the class.

As I am in the betting game will give odds as follows: 5 to 1 on Obenchain; 5 to 1 on Chastain; if either Baldwin or Griffith gets the nomination, 2 to 1 on either; 2 to 1 on Dan if he starts.

I also visited Charlie Willson's training place. Charley and his trainer Sam said they never had such luck. "I looked," said Charlie sadly, "three months ago as if I had the best string of Republican racers ever trained, but they went amiss. I have nothing left but my old stake horse, Silas," and Charley is willing to bet a city block on Main street that the Democrats cannot beat Silas.

Anyone wanting to wager on the result, address
VULIANT,
Lorella, Oregon.

Horticultural Society.

Last Monday night a number of persons interested in the Horticultural development of Klamath county met at the Court House and organized themselves into the "Klamath County Horticultural Society." O. A. Stearns was elected President and E. I. Applegate Secretary. O. A. Stearns, G. W. White and Robt. Casey were named as the Executive committee. The present object of the society is to clean up the fruit trees in and about Klamath Falls, gradually enlarging its scope of territory and usefulness.

A letter was read from Mr. A. H. Carson, Horticultural Commissioner for the Third District. He strongly advised that the County Court be petitioned to appoint a County Horticultural Inspector. This and other matters of importance will be taken up by the Executive committee.

Those present at the meeting express themselves as being determined to accomplish something. While nearly every man who owns a fruit tree in Klamath Falls has expressed himself as being heartily in favor of a movement of this kind, mighty few of them have shown their interest by coming out to the meetings. It is alright with most of them, as long as the other fellow does the work. What few fruit trees we have ought to be made to show what they can do. Let each man do his part and the thing is done.

Another meeting will be held next Tuesday night at the Court House at 7:30, when the committee on spraying will make their report, as to the probable number of trees, quantity and cost of spraying material and other matters of interest. An effort will be made to get Dr. Withcomb to visit here and deliver an address on horticulture matters.

Socialists, take Notice.

Socialists of Klamath Falls and vicinity are earnestly requested to attend the meeting of the Local to be held at the City Hall next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m. By order of Local. Secretary.

EXCESS LAND NEARLY SOLD

Request Work Be Rushed on Entire
Project. No Cause for Delay.

An effort will be made by the Water Users Association to have the Klamath project carried forward as rapidly as possible, instead of constructing it slowly section by section. Chief Engineer Newell, when here, stated that the work on the Klamath project would be constructed just as slowly or as fast as would meet with the convenience of the land owners. On account of the large amount of excess land which would have to be disposed of before a water right would be granted, it was decided that it would be necessary to go slow with the work. As much of this excess land has already been disposed of, the Association is of the belief that there is no further occasion for delay, and passed the following resolution recommending the early construction of the entire project:

Whereas, The United States Reclamation Service has announced its intention to construct the Klamath project slowly, section by section, in deference to the wish of the largest landown-

ers under said project, in order that such owners might have ample time in which to dispose of their excess holdings to persons qualified to acquire a government water right for such lands; and

Whereas, The conditions heretofore existing no longer exist, by reason of the fact that the letting of contracts for the initial construction work of the project has so increased the demand for land as to warrant the belief now held by said landowners that excess lands will come promptly into the hands of persons qualified to receive water, as soon as the same is ready for delivery;

Therefore, Be it Resolved, By the Board of Directors of the Klamath Water Users Association:

That, It recommend that the construction of the entire Klamath project be carried forward as rapidly as funds can be made available for the purpose.

Dated February 3, 1906.
Attest: (Sd) P. L. FOUNTAIN
E. I. Applegate, Vice President.
Secretary.

SOCIAL DOINGS

One of the social events of the week was the popular game of "500" when Mrs. E. R. Reames entertained about thirty ladies at her beautiful home on Conger Avenue. The spacious parlor was the scene of mirth and jollification during the hours of two to five.

The first prize was won by Mrs. Aldridge; the second by Mrs. Ross Anderson and the consolation by Mrs. Perry. Seated around the small tables, the guests were served with dainty refreshments. The charming hostess was ably assisted by Mrs. Ella M. Maylene, Mrs. H. P. Galarneau and Mrs. F. O. Krause.

Among those who enjoyed the afternoon were: Mesdames Perry, Anderson, Willis, Baldwin, Ward, Hargus, Obenchain, McMillan, Cope, Alford, Leavitt, Gates, Aldridge, Stone, Reaburn, Murdoch, Zumwalt, Gowen, Gerber, Hubbard and Martin. Misses Applegate, Baldwin, Whitney, Marie and Pearl McMillan and Campbell.

On Monday evening the members of the Knights of Pythias entertained their friends at their lodge room in the A. O. U. W. hall. About seventy ladies and gentlemen were present.

After an orchestra selection by Geo. R. Hurn, Fred L. Houston and W. E. Bowdoin, accompanied by Will Hurn on the piano, Mrs. H. P. Galarneau sang "A Rose of Yesterday," which was very highly appreciated. Beatrice Clendenning, a little tot of some eight years then played a solo on the piano and some very complimentary remarks were heard throughout the audience.

"In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree" was sung as a solo with music by quartet, by Miss Beryl Ballard, assisted by Mrs. Galarneau and the Bamber brothers. Other numbers on the program were a recitation, "The Oregon" by C. T. Bonney and a solo by Mrs. Gale. The program was closed by a very interesting address by C. C. Hogue on the history of the Knights of Pythias lodge.

A bountiful supper was served in the banquet hall after which all enjoyed a few hours of dancing.

The dance at Olene Friday night, February 2, 1906, was a pleasant time for all who were there, among whom were several couples from Klamath Falls, Poe valley and Dairy. Prizes were given for the best waltzers, jig dancer and homeliest man.

The prize, an album, was won by Chas. Baldwin and Miss Elsie Jamison. E. Kirkendall was the best jig dancer and carried off the prize, a box of cigars. Elmer Smith was awarded a small box of cigars as being the homeliest man at the dance. Music was furnished by the Olene String band.

Westleton-Huff.

Charles Westleton, of Fort Klamath and Miss Jennie A. Huff, of Oakland, California, were married at the Lakeside Inn Parlor, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock by Judge George T. Baldwin, in the presence of Mrs. Lindsay Slemore and Mr. W. T. Shive. Mr. and Mrs. Westleton left Sunday morning for Fort Klamath, where Mr. Westleton owns a ranch.

BANK FOR MERRILL

Klamath County Bank In-
creases Stock and Will
Open Branch at Merrill.

That the business houses of this city are keeping pace with the rapid growth and improvement of the town and county is being proven every day. One of the latest evidences of this fact was the action of the Klamath County Bank, the oldest banking institution in the city, which increased its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000, all fully paid up.

In June 1899 the co-partnership of Alex. Martin & Co., was organized, which in 1900 was incorporated as the Klamath County Bank, with a capital stock of \$50,000, one-half paid up. The business of the Bank has grown to such an extent, that at the meeting of the stock holders the first of the year, it was found necessary to increase the capital stock to \$100,000.

Alex. Martin Jr. has been the cashier of this Bank since its organization, and it has been mainly through his exceptional business ability and sagacity that the Bank has had such a phenomenal growth in its business. It is safe to say that this institution is one of the most solid and wealthy concerns in Southern Oregon. The stockholders individually represent over one million dollars.

For the convenience and accommodation of their extensive patronage in the southern part of the county, it has also been decided to open a branch Bank at the town of Merrill. Arrangements are already being made for this purpose and in a very short time, the growing town of Merrill will be able to boast of a bank with unlimited capital back of it.

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... SALE IS NOW ON ...

Second Great Embroidery Sale

at the BOSTON STORE

Saturday, February 10, From 8 to 12 a. m.