

## FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KLAMATH WATER USERS ASSOCIATION

### STOCK HOLDERS MEET SATURDAY

### HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION

#### The Great Klamath Project and What It Will Accomplish

#### Work Done by the Association and the Reclamation Service on Irrigation Works

The following is taken from a paper read before the second Reclamation Service conference, by J. B. Lippincott, supervising engineer, held in Washington, D. C., January 9 to 14, 1905. Since this was written much additional information has been secured, and parts, therefore, of this report have been eliminated, and will be treated later in this article:

"The basin of Klamath River was visited in October, 1903, by John T. Whistler, engineer, who reported on it under date of November 2, 1903. H. E. Green, engineer, also visited this basin in October, 1903, and the reports then made to the Secretary of the Interior were considered sufficient to justify further investigation.

"In the latter part of June, 1904, the writer made an extended trip through a portion of the basin of the Klamath River and Lost River with T. H. Humphreys, assistant engineer. No extensive surveys had been made at that time, Mr. Humphreys having spent his time in acquainting himself with the general situation.

#### General Location.

"The general location is in Klamath county, Oregon, and Siskiyou county, California. The State line to a singular extent divides this basin between the two Commonwealths. For instance, the Clear Lake reservoir site lies in California, but the water impounded therein can best be used in Oregon. The Horse Fly reservoir site is situated in Oregon, and this water can best be used in Oregon. A diversion conduit from Upper Klamath Lake will serve lands both in Oregon and California. The falls of Klamath River are in both California and Oregon, and this power can best be used for the pumping of water onto lands in California. Klamath River is navigable in a portion of its course and

#### ENGINEER LIP-PINCOTT HERE

#### The Reclamation Service Wheelhouse Looks Over Project

J. B. Lippincott, Supervising engineer, has been here for the past week. He, with engineers Murphy, Taylor and Humphreys went over part of the project Friday, Saturday and Sunday, so as to pass on some questions under consideration.

Monday night Mr. Lippincott appeared before the town board, and urged the advisability of not granting saloon licenses nearer than four blocks to the ditch, while construction work was being done. He pointed out the evils resulting from the proximity of saloons to the works in Nevada, where 13 murders are chargeable to such transgressions. He also stated that in Arizona, where the government is at work, no saloons were permitted within six miles of construction work, with the result that practically all disorder was absent.

The members of the board agreed that no license would be granted that would bring saloons nearer than at present existing, which was satisfactory to Mr. Lippincott.

The following statement was made for publication by the Supervising Engineer:

"The Klamath project has now passed into the construction stage and the amount and importance of the work will be greatly expanded. The extent of work done this summer will be limited mainly by the number of experienced men available. Our engineering force will be largely expanded and on account of the new personnel, may be of interest to the people of this project.

"Mr. D. W. Murphy has been appointed Project engineer, his appointment being effective April 1st, 1906. Mr. Murphy is a graduate in engineering of Stanford University and has taken post graduate studies in Berlin, where he earned the title of Ph. D. Subsequent to that time he became one of the assistant professors in Stanford University, which position he held for a

#### DR. WITHCOMBE ARRIVES Candidate for Governor and Party Are Here

Dr. James Withcombe, accompanied by Hon. E. T. Judd of Salem and W. K. Newell of Dilly, arrived here Monday evening. The purpose of their visit is to hold Farmer's Institute in Bonanza, on the 4th, Merrill, on the 5th and in Klamath Falls on the 6th.

Dr. Withcombe, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for governor, devoted part of Tuesday to meeting his many friends at the Lakeside Inn and getting in touch with the political situation in this county. He is making a strong canvass for

the nomination and indications are strongly in favor of his success. If the Doctor is the successful nominee, he will undoubtedly be elected by a big majority. He has as a strong factor for his strength the fact that he is free from all factional alliances, his record is beyond reproach, he is in touch with the people through the state and has their interests at heart. No issue can be raised that will weaken him before the people, and Governor Chamberlain would find in him an opponent whose prestige is so great as to be certain to land him as the chief executive of Oregon.

The Doctor has a strong following in Klamath county, which will be materially added to after his visit here. On Friday a Farmers Institute will be held in this city at which Dr. Withcombe, E. T. Judd and W. K. Newell will be the principal speakers. A number of papers by local people will be read, and a large attendance will undoubtedly hear a discussion of topics that will be both instructive and interesting.

Additional contracts will be let and a large amount of work will be undertaken by day labor by the Reclamation Service itself.

"Mr. Wm. Sargeant has been appointed as engineer in charge of Division 1, including the tunnel and headworks. Mr. Sargeant has had a long experience on the construction of irrigation works, having built many tunnels in the San Bernardino valley and has been actively connected with the operation and management of some of the largest irrigation systems there. During the last three years he has been an engineer on the Truckee-Carson project, which he has assisted to build.

"Mr. J. C. Clausen has been appointed engineer in charge of Divisions 2 and 3 for the main canal below the tunnel for 8 miles. Mr. Clausen is a graduate of the University of California, has had a number of years experience in the construction of irrigation canals in Salinas valley and is transferred from the Yuma project where he was principal assistant engineer.

"James Adams has been appointed inspector on the tunnel and headworks. Mr. Adams is a man of mature years whose life work has been in connection with construction of tunnels. His last work was for the Pacific Light & Power Company, one of the great power organizations of Southern California, where he held a similar position.

"Harry Caden has been assigned to the office, where he will be in charge of Cost keeping. Mr. Caden was transferred from a similar position with the U. S. Navy where he was assigned to the Union Iron Works.

"A number of other new assignments will be made to this project at an early date. These men are in addition to the regular force which has been employed at Klamath Falls during the past winter and which organization has been quite satisfactory."

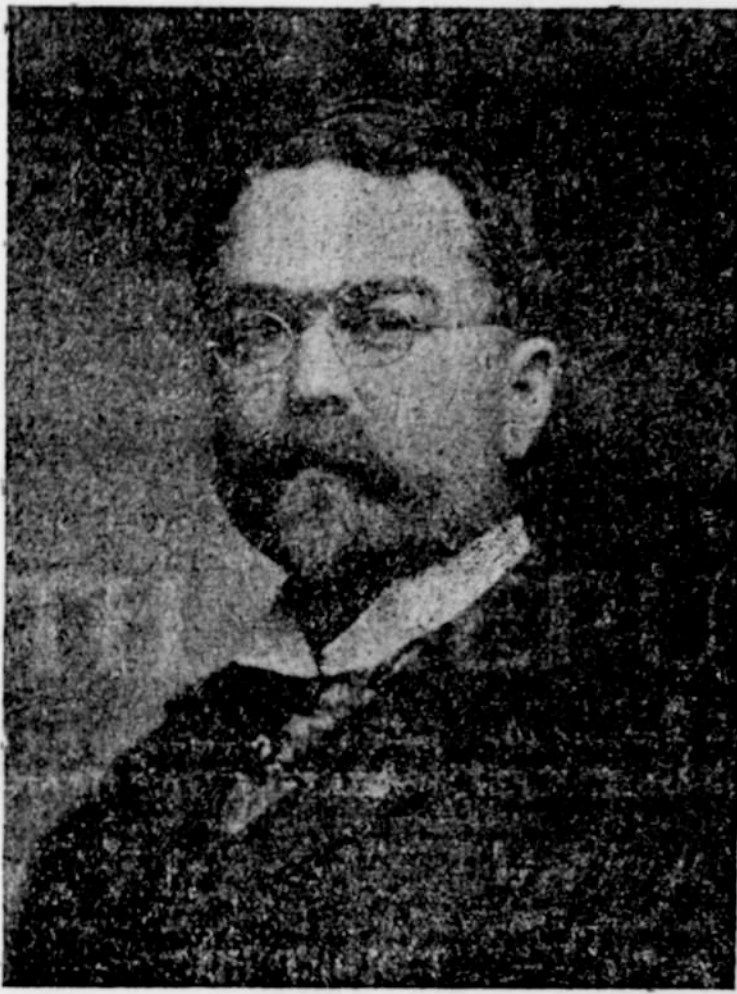
Geo. W. Lowe, manager of the Madison Square Theatre company, will be here with his troupe, and will occupy the boards for one week beginning April 16. He promises a first class show and certainty of its appearance on schedule time.

### THE PROJECT AND FULTON

#### It Had his Most Hearty and Effective Support.

#### An Unwarranted Attack on Our Senior Senator

It has just come out that Senator Fulton has been accused of lukewarmness toward the Klamath Project, and of actually throwing his influence against it and in favor of the Malheur and Umatilla enterprises. The reasons advanced for his actions are that these latter projects are tributary to Portland. The accusation is too ridiculous to be entertained for a moment and were it not for the fact that some have been led to believe there is some truth in it,



Jerome P. Churchill, President of the Association.

it would be passed by unnoticed. Instead of being indifferent toward the Klamath project, Senator Fulton has always given it his hearty and absolutely essential support. Supervising Engineer Lippincott knows whereof he speaks, when he says:

"Senator Fulton did not oppose the Klamath Project, but on the contrary was always most energetic in his efforts at all times to promote its welfare. When its fate was in the balance and it was assailed from all sides, the senator threw himself into the fray and shattered the opposition. Without Senator Fulton there would have been no Klamath Project at this time, and if it had failed at the time he saved it, it would have been many years before it would have been approved."

To accuse Senator Fulton of being neglectful of his duty or lax in his efforts in behalf of this great enterprise is base ingratitude, and no one who hears Engineer Lippincott praise the senator's work will for a moment entertain any but sentiments of approval and praise for his effective efforts for Klamath county.

Resolutions were passed by the Chamber of Commerce last night endorsing the work done by Senators Fulton and Gearin, and Messrs. Campbell, Murray and Taylor appointed as a committee to engross and forward the same to them at Washington.

E. B. Hall of Whitelake was in the city during the week. Mr. Hall has done more to advertise Klamath county than any other man in the state. It is not an uncommon thing to find people who first heard of and came to Klamath through Whitelake city, and there are thousands throughout the United States who to-day have their faces turned in this direction, and contemplate coming here. Hall did it, and he is still doing it, and with half a dozen such fellows, filled with his kind of ginger, this county would be known in every hamlet in the United States.

At the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held last evening a contract was entered into with the Pacific Northwest for a standing advertisement for Klamath Falls. The proposition to move the office of the Chamber of Commerce to other quarters was laid on the table, without a dissenting vote. Resolutions were passed commending Senators Fulton and Gearin for their support of the Klamath project, and a committee was appointed to engross the same and forward a copy to each of the Senators.

### CANDIDATES OF REPUBLICANISM

#### CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

#### List of Those Who Have Their Certificates

The following is a list of those who have filed nomination certificates with the County Clerk for the various county offices, to be voted on at the primaries to be held on April 20th. Perhaps no year in the history of Klamath county have aspirants to political honors fought so shy of stepping into the limelight, and the only apparent reason for it is the new primary law.

REPUBLICAN—County Judge—C. K. Brandenburg, R. A. Emmitt, A. L. Leavitt, O. A. Stearns, and J. O.

Hamaker of Bonanza, Commissioner, Jacob Rueck, Dairy, Treasurer, L. Alva Lewis, Klamath Falls, Sheriff, Silas Obenchain, Klamath Falls, Coroner, Dr. William Martis, Klamath Falls, Surveyor, M. D. Williams, Klamath Falls, Central Committee, W. O. Smith, Klamath Falls.

DEMOCRAT—County Judge—George T. Baldwin, B. St. Geo. Bishop, J. B. Griffith all of Klamath Falls, Clerk, Geo. B. Chastain, Klamath Falls, Commissioner, W. A. Walker of Bly, and N. S. Merrill, of Merrill. Surveyor, Mont E. Hutchison, Klamath Falls.

William E. Bowdoin was strongly urged by his friends to become a candidate for the republican nomination for County Clerk, but after considering the matter for a day he decided to decline to run.

Wednesday was the last day for the filing of certificates, so that all the candidates whose names can appear on the official ballot are published above. From now on the political pot will begin to boil and the glad hand will be quite in evidence.

Daniel Colwell died at his home near Merrill Saturday, March 31, where he has resided since 1871. Mr. Colwell was born in Cork, Ireland, August 12, 1831, emigrating to America when a young man. He is survived by two sons, John and Daniel, and one daughter, Mrs. Gene Hammond, all residents of Merrill. The remains were taken to Jacksonville, where Mrs. Colwell is buried, for interment.

Philip S. Bates, publisher of the Pacific Northwest, was in Klamath Falls this week in the interest of his paper. Mr. Bates is a hustler, and issues a publication that is doing much for the upbuilding of Oregon. In his next issue he will print several pages of a write up of this section, without cost to the community. He is not a "grafter," and the result is he and his paper have an A1 standing in the Northwest.

West Klamath Falls is the latest addition to the city. Here will be located 100 acres of land; divided into 2 to 5 acre tracts, to be used as truck farms. The proximity to the city and fertility of this land makes it certain to be valuable, and L. Jacobs, the owner, will have little trouble in disposing of it, if the demand so far is an indication of what the future will be.

Col. M. G. Wilkins returned to Klamath Falls last week from Puyallup, where he has been with his family for the past few months. The Colonel says he heard a great deal of talk about Klamath county during his absence, and returns more convinced than ever that it will be a big year for this district. The many friends of the genial Colonel are glad to see him back.

S. K. Noel, the well known Civil engineer of Los Angeles, arrived in Klamath Falls Tuesday, accompanied by a wife and daughter. Mr. Noel enters the employ of the Klamath Falls street railway company, and will be at the head of one of the three crews that will lay out the addition and survey the route of this company.

H. J. Danford, Vice president of the Klamath Falls Land and Live stock company, returned to this city this week, where he expects to remain permanently, and look after the interest of the company he represents.

### WHO HAVE FILED THEIR PETITIONS

#### WEEKLY REALTY REPORT

#### What is Doing in the Building and Improvement Line

By MASON & SLOUGH.

Each week there will be prepared for publication in the Republican by Mason & Slough a report on the general realty conditions of Klamath Falls and county. The minor transactions are so numerous, as to make it impossible for to find space to admit of their complete publication, so a general resume will have to suffice, special note being made only of the large transfers, buildings contemplated and in course of construction, and such other information as will keep the readers posted as to general conditions in the real estate field.

Mason Davis & Co., the contractors, have their camps established. They are giving employment to all comers who desire work. At this time they have less than one hundred men, but will very soon increase their force to six or seven hundred men.

The California Northwestern railroad is now making good progress. For sometime they have been greatly hindered by the heavy snow fall in the mountains, but the warm spring days are rapidly removing this obstacle, and before many months our present primitive methods of transportation will give way to those more modern and convenient.

Construction work upon the street car line for Klamath Falls began this week. We shall report more fully on this item of interest soon.

Work has been resumed upon the new school building which we hope to see completed in the near future.

Moore Brothers immense saw mill is nearing completion and will be turning out lumber within a month.

The Weyerhaeuser people, McCleod Lumber company and other large corporations are acquiring immense holdings of timber lands.

Klamath county offers good inducements for loaning money on real estate at conservative rates. Property values are rising and will continue to rise, making Klamath county realty the best of security.

Next week will be given a list of the business houses that are soon to be constructed on Main street, the approximate cost per foot of lots on this thoroughfare, based on recent sales, and a general outline of contemplated improvements throughout the city.

#### An Appeal to the Voters of Klamath County for Support

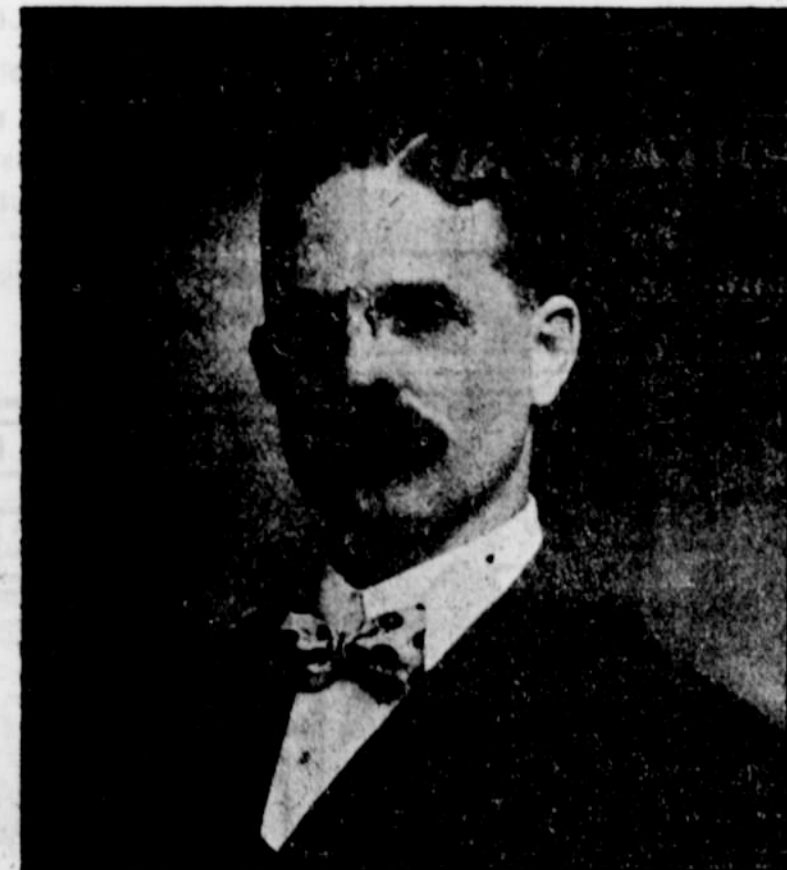
#### Worthy of the Careful Consideration of Every Member of the Republican Party

The people of this state can depend upon H. M. Cake, of Portland, for substantial results, and if he is elected to the Senate, they can rely upon getting the kind of representation the state needs. Mr. Cake has been one of the leading factors in the movement to build up the state of Oregon, and the people know that he is a man of force and energy. This has been shown by the part he played in the Greater Oregon movement, and to him, more than any other one man, perhaps, is due the credit for having undertaken the great work of removing petty jealousies and prejudices heretofore existing between the different parts of Oregon.

Mr. Cake's Republicanism has never been questioned. He has always been identified with the established and settled principles of the party, and during the entire period of his residence in this state, has ever been found on the right side of all important public questions, and fearless in advocating what he believed to be right. He has consistently stood for harmony in the party, and one of his principal wishes is to see the party take a strong stand for harmony and the development of Oregon.

"The country is tired of factional fights and differences," says Mr. Cake. "The people of this state should find freedom of expression at the polls without the domination of machine rule."

The platform of Walter L. Tooze, Republican candidate for Congress in the first district, has the right ring from beginning to end. It is a good healthy document and should appeal to all good Americans. Mr. Tooze is unqualifiedly opposed to any tampering with the Chinese exclusion act, and he doesn't hesitate to show his sympathies for the working classes. He is with President



Walter L. Tooze, Candidate for Congress.

is so used commercially. Upper and Lower Klamath Lakes are commercially navigable and are cut in half by the State line. Tule Lake is navigable, but is so used only to a slight extent; it is cut by the State line. We therefore have an interstate situation, both as to water supply, power, and irrigable lands.

#### Drainage.

"The principal streams of the Klamath basin are Wood, Williamson, Sprague, and Lost river. The drainage is quite singular. Lost River at present does not flow into Klamath River, but into Tule Lake, which has no outlet.

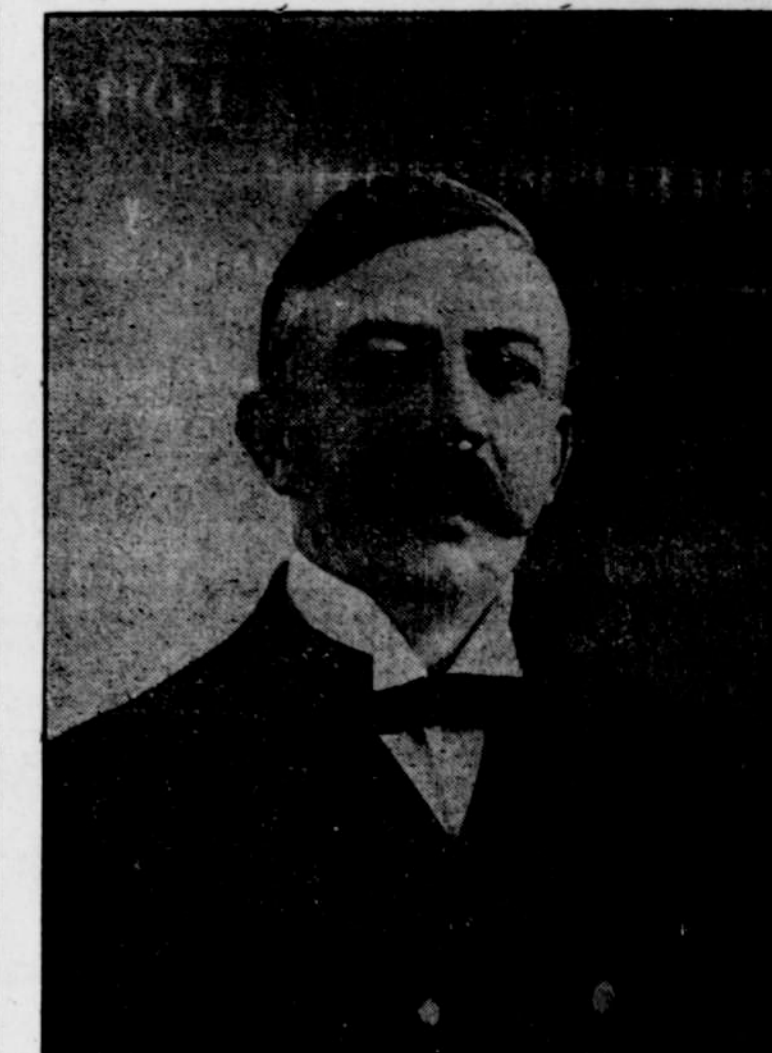
"KLAMATH RIVER.—Wood and Williamson rivers are the two principal tributaries of the Klamath. Wood River is fed by some very large springs, the water supply apparently coming in large part from the country around Crater Lake; Williamson River drains the region northwestern from Klamath Lake. "These streams flow into Klamath Lake, which covers 67,220 acres, and, if

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number of years. During the years 1901 and 1902 he was Construction engineer for the American Beet Sugar Company and particularly engaged in the drainage and irrigation of alkali lands. For a number of years he was associated in private engineering practice with James D. Schuyler, one of the best hydraulic engineers on the coast, and was employed in a variety of engineering work, particularly of an irrigation nature. During the past two years he has been employed as irrigation engineer by the Reclamation Service.

"Mr. T. H. Humphreys will be the principal assistant of Mr. Murphy on the Klamath project. Mr. Humphreys work is considered by his superiors in the Reclamation Service to have been effective and economical. The duties and responsibilities of Mr. Humphreys will be increased in this new phase of the work. The project will thus have the advantage of his extended experience here and investigation elsewhere.

"During the coming summer addi-



H. M. Cake, Candidate for United States Senator.

#### Obituary.

KESTER—Ellis Butin Kester passed away at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kester, of Poe Valley, March 25, 1906, aged 12 years 1 month and 11 days.

Death was due to pneumonia and other complications. He was one of a pair of twins born to them on St. Valentine's day 1894, was of a kind and loving disposition beloved by all his playmates and friends. He leaves a Father and Mother, one Brother and two Sisters and many relatives to mourn for him. He was laid to rest in Poe Valley cemetery March 27, 1906.

Dear little Ellis has left us. For that happy home above, Where watching among the angels For Jesus to summon us home.

#### Roosevelt in his plan for control of the railroads and other reforms.

Mr. Tooze is a large employer of labor, and his employees all speak of him as just and honorable in all his dealings with them. Mr. Tooze also favors the exclusion of Japanese coolies, and laws that will protect the American laborer, both organized and unorganized, from any degrading competition whatsoever. He favors laws that would give to the railroad employes of this country adequate protection to their lives while engaged in this hazardous occupation, and to limit the hours of labor while engaged in such service. He favors the election of United States Senators by direct vote, and a strict observance of

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