



Magnificent Panorama to be seen from the Heights in the Buena Vista Addition to Klamath Falls.

RAILROADS WILL NOT BE DELAYED

NATRON TO KLAMATH FALLS LINE COMING

Oregon Eastern Is Being Surveyed for Fort Klamath.

Branch Line to Run South Via Lakeview to Alturas to Connect With N. O. & C.

Chief Engineer J. B. Graham of the Oregon Eastern Railroad was in Klamath Falls this week purchasing supplies for his surveying corps, and returned to camp Wednesday.

"I have a corps of 20 engineers and assistants. We are now running the preliminary line and as soon as this is done we will begin the permanent survey.

"Yes," said Mr. Graham, "this line will connect with the road from Natron to Klamath Falls. The surveyors for this latter road are now in the field, somewhere close to the divide and are working south as fast as conditions will admit.

"Do you think that the San Francisco disaster will have the effect of delaying the construction of either of these lines, as reported?"

"No, I understand that it will have absolutely none, and work on both of these roads will go forward just the same as if that catastrophe had never occurred."

"When questioned as to the probability of a line south from the Oregon Eastern through Lakeview to connect with the N. O. & C. in California he said:

"There will in all probability be such a line. It will touch Lakeview, or as near as grades will permit and make a junction with the N. O. & C. at Alturas in Modoc county, California, for I understand the N. O. & C. is to be extended to that city."

"It was very evident that Mr. Graham knew much more about the line south than he cared to tell. Regarding the other two lines he was more communicative, and his conversation made it quite plain that these roads would be constructed at once.

WHY DO WE GROW?

Reasons Why the Klamath Basin is Forging Ahead.

The Republican has lately received a large number of inquiries in regard to Klamath county and some of the towns therein, and in many of the letters is asked: What is the cause of the rapid growth of Klamath Falls, Merrill, Bonanza and the county generally? Or why are such great claims made for the future of your county? The answer of these questions can be summed up in one word: "Irrigation."

When the United States government, through the Reclamation Service, decided to take up the Klamath Project and build reservoirs and canals that would carry the waters of Klamath and Clear lakes throughout the great valleys and reclaim nearly 250,000 acres of practically worthless land, the eyes of investors were turned this way. They knew that the expenditure of \$4,500,000 by the government would mean the employment of an immense amount of labor and a consequent increase in all lines of trade, that the opening up to actual settlers of such an immense tract of land would mean a large influx of people; and that the increased population would mean new towns. That their judgment was correct is evidenced by the great increase in population of Klamath Falls, which has jumped from a settlement of 400 to a city of 2000, and increasing at the rate of about 100 per week; the founding of Merrill and its rapid rise, the birth of Whitelake City and its success, and the present growth and activity in and around Bonanza.

The Klamath Falls band will give a concert at the opera house on the 18th of this month, the proceeds of which will go to complete the payments due on the new instruments. This organization is deserving of hearty support, and it is to be hoped their concert will be well attended.

J. W. Bosta arrived here from Frisco Saturday night. He is one of the victims of San Francisco, having occupied quarters in the Raphael house in that city. He has been employed by the Boston store.

RAILROAD CHANGE

E. T. Abbott is Made General Manager of the Klamath Lake Railroad.

E. T. Abbott of Minneapolis has been appointed general manager of the Klamath lake railroad, which operates between Thral and Pokegama. Mr. Abbott is a man of recognized ability, and has had wide experience in the locating and construction of railways in the middle west. Since he assumed the management of the Klamath railway he has been "doing things." A marked change for the better is to be found on every side, and a systematic regime has been inaugurated.

Mr. Abbott is very reticent as to the future plans of his company. In fact he has that stereotyped reply, "I don't know," ever ready when asked as to what changes or extensions are proposed. But in view of the fact that he has an enviable reputation as an engineer, it would not be going wide of the mark if one guessed that the Weyerhaeuser Lumber Company had an extension of their line toward Klamath Falls in view when they placed Mr. Abbott in charge. This, however, is absolutely denied by him, as might naturally be expected.

Recently the Bonanza Improvement Company was incorporated, with such men as H. E. McKenney, who is heavily interested in Klamath county property, J. D. Carroll, one of the principals of the Oregon and California Development Company, H. L. Holgate of the Klamath Commercial Agency and others of equal prestige and business standing. It is practically assured that this company proposes extensive operations in and around Bonanza, and this together with the marked activity of other large interests, augurs well for the future of this town. Situated as Bonanza is, it is conceded that it will make a city of considerable size. When the upper project is under way, which will be the case ere long, property in that vicinity is bound to increase rapidly in value. And when the great valleys directly tributary to Bonanza are under irrigation, this town will forge ahead with rapid strides, and the natural location will make it second only to Klamath Falls in size and importance.

It is due to these things that large investments have been and are being made in Klamath county; why the railroad is coming; why the street railway system is being put into Klamath Falls; why the electric railways have been projected throughout the county; why development companies are spending upwards of half a million in improving their property; why the eyes of thousands of investors and home-seekers are turned this way; and why Klamath county is destined to be the largest in Oregon, outside of Multnomah.

BUENA VISTA ADDITION

This Beautiful Tract is Almost Ready.

SHADED BOULEVARDS

Graded Streets, Sewerage, Electric Car Line, Magnificent Hotel and Other Improvements.

The Buena Vista Addition to Klamath Falls, which is being platted by the Klamath Abstract Company for the Klamath Canal Company, is almost ready to be placed on the market. Under the direction of W. K. Brown, men and teams are at work grading the streets and boulevards, and when the plans are completed the addition will have more the appearance of a park than that of the ordinary platted ground for residence purposes.

Grading for the street railway is progressing rapidly, and the ties for the line are now being sawed at the Odessa mill. The entire cut of this mill for the season has been purchased, and those building in the addition this summer will have first call on the output, so that they will be sure of having an ample supply of lumber for their homes. Several handsome houses are planned for this summer, and the architects are at work now preparing the plans for the magnificent hotel that is to be erected there, work on which will probably begin within a couple of months.

A complete sewerage system will be constructed, and arrangements will be made to supply the residents with light and water. Thousands of shade trees have been purchased and are now on the ground ready for planting this fall. Among these are 300 cork elm, noted for their rapid growth and luxuriant foliage.

The view from this addition is beyond description. The Republican prints a panorama taken from the Buena Vista tract, and a faint idea can be gained from it of the grandeur of the natural beauties that are spread before the eye. But the camera, brush nor pen cannot portray a truthful reproduction of the scenic wonders that are to be seen. With Mt. Shasta to the south and Mt. Pitt to the north, hooded with their covering of everlasting snow, surrounded by hills, valleys, lakes and streams, form a picture of such wondrous beauty as to place it beyond description. So impressed were the Sisters of St. Francis with this section that they purchased all of Block 70, representing an area of two and one-half city blocks, for their proposed Academy. Here will center one of the great educational institutions of the state, and will form the nucleus of the future supremacy of Klamath Falls as an educational center.

New Bank & Trust Co.

Major C. E. Worden returned to Klamath Falls last Friday, and began almost immediately to make preparations to improve some of his property. One of the first things he did was to place a sign on his lot corner of Main and Fifth street, to the effect that when the proposed building to be erected thereon was completed it would be occupied by the American Bank and Trust Company.

Major Worden informs the Republican that on Monday brick will be placed on the ground for the erection of a \$150,000 building, and that when it was completed it would be occupied by the banking institution referred to. He was not disposed to make public the names of those interested in the concern, but stated that ample capital was already subscribed to make it one of the most solid banks in the state. No stock is for sale.

The members of the First Presbyterian Church of Merrill purchased from the Klamath Commercial Agency two lots and will erect thereon this summer a church to cost about \$1800.

J. W. McCoy, of Fort Klamath was in Klamath Falls Monday. He and Lindsey Sisemore have just purchased a perchon stallion from La Fayette, Indiana, at a cost of \$4000.

THE CALIFORNIA NORTHEASTERN

FRISCO DISASTER CAUSES NO DELAY

INTERESTING LETTER

A Communication From Miss Stephens on the San Francisco Disaster

The following letter is from a sister of T. F. Stephens of this city, and appeared in the Ashland Tidings. It is truly original in style, and varies greatly from all of like communications published.

Miss H. B. Stephens of this city has received a personal letter from her sister there descriptive of the earthquake in San Francisco. The story has been told and retold in the newspapers but the Tidings requested permission to print this story because it was differently told from any it had yet seen:

Oakland, Cal.—Georgia and I are alive and quite safe. We saved what clothes we stand in, two night gowns, some silver, a few pieces of jewelry, and a little money and our lives. It was an awful experience and all the worries of our lives dwindle into nothing in comparison. I was dreaming of you and of your being homeless when the quaking began. The walls swayed and all the household idols came tumbling down and the agony of the mind as the thought flashed through—its end of everything—the rocking and the noises and I couldn't pray—didn't have time although I have tried to do it since.

I jumped over Georgia and yelled, "Get up, get up." She got as far as the edge of the bed and never said anything then I tapped her on the shoulders and shoved her towards the door and she fumbled with the lock and couldn't open it. Finally I got it open and I caught up my wrappers and we thrust them on. Georgia was saying "Lord have mercy on us." Then we tore down

N., over on Haight street, so off we started. Such a condition as the streets were in—people walking about, the picture of desolation with a few valuables in their hands; others sitting on the sidewalk surrounded by their possessions; chimneys down, windows smashed, streets filled with debris, houses out of plumb and some down flat. In the downtown district clanging of bells, soldiers marching, automobiles hither and thither and any other confusion your mind can picture; although the crowd looked miserable, I saw no crying.

You should have seen our room after the event—not a piece of anything left on the shelves in the front room. In the kitchen the kettle was on the floor, the china closet was laid flat on the floor, and everything in it smashed; everything in the closet was down and desolation was its name. All my household goods that I loved were gone and we left them to their fate. I believe the house is all burned up.

We were terribly tired from the walk out to Haight street and back to Washington and then to the ferry, but thankful to be alive.

All services as usual at the Presbyterian church next Sunday. The sermon at 7:30 p. m. will be of special interest to young men. Interesting and vital subjects are being discussed at the Wednesday evening service. Come and bring your Bible.

In Its Construction-Only Equipment Destroyed By Fire.

This Can Be Replaced Within a Few Weeks and the Road Will Be Rushed.

The report that the San Francisco disaster would delay the construction of the California Northeastern railroad and possibly prevent its completion into Klamath Falls before next March gained such headway and received so much credence in this city, that the Republican, on learning that President Naftzger was at Boyce's ranch, communicated with him over the telephone. When asked as to what foundation the rumor had, Mr. Naftzger replied most emphatically:

"Absolutely and positively no foundation at all. The only delay or interference with the rapid construction and prompt completion of the California Northeastern will be due to replacing the equipment and supplies of the contractors which were destroyed in San Francisco. This delay will be very slight—not more than a few weeks, and after they are replaced the work will be pushed with so much energy that by the time we reach Klamath Falls the loss will probably be more than made up."

"Will the unsettled conditions produced by the financial losses sustained by all classes in San Francisco have any effect on your other plans?"

"None whatever," replied Mr. Naftzger. "The calamity is so great and the shock so severe that it has affected every portion of the coast. This is not due so much to financial stringency as to the fact that the people of the entire Pacific coast have been stunned by the magnitude of the horror."

"Conditions are rapidly adjusting themselves, however, and before long there will be greater industrial activity than the Pacific coast has ever known before. San Francisco will rise from its ruins in greater splendor than before its destruction and when the plans for its reconstruction are carried out it will be one of the most beautiful cities in the world."

"As I said, we are going to go right ahead with all of our plans, and the only delay, if any, will be due to our inability to promptly procure such material as is absolutely necessary for their consummation."

Mr. Naftzger, like so many thousand of other citizens, lost heavily. His home was destroyed, and what few effects he saved was only accomplished after moving them from one point to another five different times. Great as was his loss and the ordeal through which he passed, it was easily discernible from the force of his remarks that he has the utmost confidence in the future of San Francisco. His confidence is the same as that of every business man in the Bay City, and where men of such sterling qualities stand shoulder to shoulder, it can have only one effect—the up-building of a greater and grander metropolis on the Pacific coast.

The Merrill creamery is offered for sale. Enquire of Gus Nowbury, Jacksonville, Oregon.

New and Second hand house furnishings at the bridge. Second hand store, Virgil and Son.

Choice locations can be secured in Bonanza if you buy now. E. B. Hall, General Agent.

E. B. Hall and wife of Whitelake were in the city this week, returning home today.

Mrs. R. B. Hatton and daughter arrived here from Oakland Saturday evening.

James D. Fairchild of Yreka is registered at the Lakeside Inn. James F. Farrar of Yreka arrived in this city Wednesday.

For lots in Bonanza see E. B. Hall.

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