

KLAMATH IS GREATEST

The Reclamation Service Appreciate the Good Will Manifested

LEADS PAYING ASSESSMENTS

Secretary E. I. Applegate Learns That This Pro- ject is Favorably Known Throughout the West and Has Good Opinion of Officials

"The Klamath Project is considered the greatest and best project now under construction by the government, and I learned this fact at Boise while attending the National Irrigation Congress," said E. I. Applegate, secretary of the water user's association and newly-elected secretary and treasurer of the affiliated association. Continuing he said:

"While at Boise I was particularly impressed with the feeling of good will manifested towards our project by the higher officials of the Service. They are in close touch with the conditions existing in the various sections where government work is under way, and little friction can arise that does not make its presence known to those officers. Among the first things they said to me was an expression of gratification over the cordial relations existing between the Service and the land owners, and this harmony has won for us a most friendly feeling among the men who make or mar the progress of any work. I do not wish to be understood as saying that these officials permit their personal likes or dislikes to interfere with their work, but I could not but feel while talking with them that if it were necessary to strain a point in favor of us they could be more apt to do so under existing conditions than if we were afflicted with that intestine strife that has at times shown itself elsewhere.

"I hope nothing will ever arise to change these amicable conditions and relations, for they must eventually redound to the advantage of the work here.

"Another thing I learned was that the Klamath Water User's Association is away in the lead of any other Association on the question of funds. The members of no others have so promptly responded to our assessment call. They all wanted to know how it was done, and the only reply I could give was that it was due to the fact that the members of our association are possessed of a higher degree of honor and patriotism than is found most anywhere else, and that they were willing to make any sacrifice in order not to hamper the work.

"These two facts speak well for our county and the public spiritiveness of its citizens and I hope that nothing will ever arise that will mar the harmony prevailing throughout all the branches of the great enterprise."

When questioned as to what were the results on other projects where the government was doing the work under the Force account, he said:

"I've read with interest the statement of last week's Republican that the construction of the second unit by the government would result in a saving to the land owners. While at Boise I discussed this very question with the head officials of the Service, and they gave as their opinion that after the work was fully organized, the government not only did the work quicker and better than the contractor, but at a less cost.

"Chief Engineer Newell stated to me that contractors usually figure on a margin of 50 per cent. It strikes me that if this figure is correct, and I have no reason to doubt it, that under Force account construction, the Service will save our people quite a tidy sum. As to the work being done as quickly by the Service as by contractors, I can only base my judgement on what has been accomplished under our own eyes.

"When the government undertook the construction of the lateral system of the first unit, it was feared the work would not be completed by the time Mason Davis Company finished their contract. What was the result? The work is practically done now, it is first class in every respect and was carried out without the slightest interference with irrigation during the past season.

If this says anything, it shows that Force account work is as rapid, thorough and cheap as if carried on by contractors, and this bug-a-boo about delay and extra cost strikes me as the vile vaporing of a disgruntled mind. It is my opinion that those who are protesting against it own little, if any land under the ditch, and, like Don Quixote when he tried to buck the windmill, are kicking just to be doing something.

ANOTHER NEW BLOCK

Worden Will Build Another Block on Main Street

There is going to be another Worden block. This time it will be at the West end of Main street, and it looks as if the Major had ambitions that will lead to his lining the main thoroughfare with brick structures. At any rate he is doing more than his share in this direction.

The proposed building will be located at the corner of Main and Juniper, opposite the office of the Klamath Abstract Company, and will be 33x70 feet, two stories high and of brick construction. It will have plate glass front and will be under immediate appointment. Excavation for work will probably begin today, and the building rushed to early completion.

JEWISH HOLIDAY

Beginning tonight at 6 o'clock and continuing for two days will be the period of celebration of the Jewish Rosh a Shonah or New Year of 5667. One week from today to-morrow night will be the second holiday period, known as the Day of Atonement. These two holidays are recognized by all Jews, and are observed by the suspension of all business. In accordance with that fact, the Fore and Clothing and Shoe Store will close at 6 o'clock this evening and remain closed until 6 o'clock Friday evening. A gain next Friday it will close at 6 o'clock and remain closed until 6 o'clock Saturday evening.

MAYS, JONES AND SORENSON GUILTY

Henry Scores Another Victory in Land Fraud Cases

The jury in the case of the United States vs. Franklin P. Mays, W. N. Jones and George Sorenson, last Thursday returned a verdict of guilty of the charge of fraud in connection with the establishment of the Blue Mountain Forest Reserve.

It was the contention of the government that Mays, Jones and H. A. Smith conceived the idea of establishing the reserve, and had already acquired title therein to 30,000 acres of school lands by the "dummy" process, and had planned to get title to all the school lands in the reserve, aggregating about 150,000 acres, which, had they succeeded, would have entailed a loss on the public school fund of this state of at least \$900,000 additional.

Enough fraudulent applications had been filed with the State Land Board to cover all the vacant school land sections within the limits of the proposed reserve, but the scheme was nipped in the bud, so far as the 150,000 acres was concerned, by Secretary Hitchcock making provisional suspension of the whole affected district, and later congress passed an act repealing the act of June 4, 1887, so that whatever school lands were acquired in the reserve were useless as base for other selections under the "scrubber" law.

The indictment against the three defendants was returned by the federal grand jury February 13, 1905, accusing them of a violation of section 5440, of the Revised Statutes of the United States, in having conspired to defraud the government of 200,000 acres of the public domain by process of a fraudulent plan whereby United States Senator Mitchell, Commissioner of the General Land Office Binger Hermann, Congressman John N. Williamson, State Senator Franklin P. Mays, ex-Representative Willard L. Jones and George Sorenson

were to obtain fraudulently from the State of Oregon title and possession to 150,000 acres of worthless and arid school lands lying within the counties of Crook, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Baker, Union, Umatilla and Wallawa.

The plan alluded to contemplated embracing the tracts in question within the limits of a proposed forest reserve now known as the Blue Mountain forest reserve, which, under the act of June 4, 1887, would permit the holders of these worthless school sections to exchange them for valuable vacant unappropriated timber lands outside of any reserve.

The defendants in the case just tried are all prominent citizens of this state. F. P. Mays having been a state senator at the last legislature, and was formerly United States District Attorney for Oregon. He is a member of the firm of Carey & Mays, and has been identified with the social and political interests of this state for a great many years.

Willard N. Jones was likewise a member of the last legislature, having been elected to the lower House from Multnomah county. He has operated in timber lands of this state for some time, and is reputed to be quite well off financially.

George Sorenson is one of the best-known men around town, and for a number of years has been engaged in the real estate business, besides being a Rotary Public.

THE MUSICALE

It was an appreciative audience that greeted the most select as well as the best talent of Klamath Falls at the musicale last Friday evening. The large assembly room of the High School building was well filled with patrons of the school, who were attracted to a degree, no doubt, owing to it being a benefit, for the proceeds were applied on the payment of the beautiful concert grand piano that was used during the evening. The real downright motive of attendance, though, was the fact that Mrs. Don Zumwalt, the soprano soloist, a local favorite; the Misses Applegate and Mrs. Oliver Gates were to furnish an evening of amusement and entertainment. There was not a dull moment from the opening till the close, and the generous applause that greeted each number, and the most gracious manner in which the members responded to the hearty encores, clearly demonstrated that they were happy in realizing that they were pleasing their audience.

The assembly room is an ideal place in which to hold musicales. The acoustic properties are perfect. The student body was there in force, and they were generous and not in the least bit partial in showing their appreciation of the deserving ones, and that included every member of the quartet of local artists. The tone and worth of the instrument was thoroughly tested by Miss Evelyn Applegate in her rendition of "Rhapsody in the House, No. 11," from Liszt. It was a wonderful production and clearly demonstrated the training and finish that goes with her. Mrs. Zumwalt was in perfect voice, while she carried the audience by storm she captured all with her effort, "Villanelle." She was called and re-called, and she always came back smiling with some little ditty that appealed to all.

Miss Elsie Applegate is a violinist of ability, having that control of the "art of arts" which stirs the soul, and in the difficult movements clearly displayed that she is a student as well as a natural artist. Mrs. Gates has long been recognized by the soloists as the one perfect accompanist of the city, and her work during the evening was up to the high standard that is so resident to her. When the last number arrived, "Spring Song," by Mrs. Zumwalt, with violin obligato by Miss Elsie Applegate, and at the close, after a rousing encore, the audience remained seated, not one being willing to go, the applause seeming to ring out, "Just one more, please."

When the close did come and the audience filed out, exclamations of delight and appreciation were heard on all sides, and the efforts of the various members were extolled and applauded. The exchequer of the high school fund was swelled, and to the members who so generously offered their talent to assist in the noble work of helping others to enjoy the ability of "knowing how" in the musical world, a generous return of thanks and deep appreciation is due.

DAIRY DOINGS.

Philip Oden went to Klamath Falls on business last week. His wagon broke down on his return trip.

The first threshing done this year by the Bennett machine and crew was at the John H. Collahan place, at the special request of the dying man.

The following facts have been gathered respecting the late John H. Collahan, of whose demise the Republican mentioned last week: The late John

H. Collahan was a native of Klamath county, having been born at the Collahan (now the Shook) ranch in Yonka valley in the month of May, 1873. He was the son of James Collahan, who was one of the pioneer settlers of the county, having settled at Fort Klamath before the Moslem war. He sold the ranch to the Shooks some 20 years ago, and took up a place some miles northwest of the valley, which is now known as the Collahan ranch, which he improved into a fine property. There he and his wife died some years ago. John grew to manhood there, and he received a common school education. Patrick and the unmarried members of the family still make their home at the ranch. John H. married some years ago and settled on a homestead in the northern part of the valley, where he died on the 11th inst., the result of injuries received in a runaway of his team while harvesting. The deceased was a steady going, industrious man, of good habits and economic disposition. His wife was an excellent housekeeper and a most fitting helpmate. Two children have blessed the happy union. Deceased was a member of the fraternal insurance order known as the A. O. U. W., being insured for \$2,000, which will insure to his wife and children a most fortunate benefit.

The funeral took place at Bonanza, services being held in the M. E. church. Rev. J. B. Griffith, of Klamath Falls, officiating. A long procession of mourning relatives and sympathizing friends followed the remains to their last resting place. All of the living members of the Collahan family were present at the funeral, as follows: Mrs. R. L. Sarter, of Klamath Falls; Mrs. O. Clifton, of Bonanza; Mrs. H. B. Hudson, of Montague, Cal.; Mrs. J. Brown, of Ashland, and Misses Katie, Maggie and Millie, sisters; J. P. Collahan and wife and James and Stephen Collahan, brothers of the deceased.

A very pleasant wedding took place on Tuesday evening last at the home of the bride, at the Fitch ranch in the north part of the valley, at which time Mrs. L. M. Fitch was united in marriage to Harvey E. Nance, Esq. Sherman officiating in the presence of a few mutual friends. The congratulations over, the company sat down to a most toothsome repast, and the evening was lighthearted in pleasant social chat. The high contracting parties are both favorably known in the community, and it goes without saying that their marriage came as a very pleasant surprise to their many friends. There were present a very few close friends and neighbors, among them Mrs. N. S. Drew, C. A. Drew and wife, Jesse Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Coburn, wife and daughter, Effie, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Adams.

George Porter, the Klamath Falls teamster, took a party of timber cruisers to the Yamsey mountain country this week. He said the men were in the employ of the Weyerhaeuser company.

Mrs. Frances Lee returned from her long visit to Southern California last Monday, and was met at the Falls by her son Oscar. Many friends are rejoiced at her homecoming.

Young Henry Schmor and his sisters Mary and Maggie, returned from their huckleberry mountain outing last week, having been gone for a month. It was a great treat for the girls.

Silas Grizzle of the Falls was in the valley Sunday last. Rumor has it that there are other attractions besides ordinary business that brings him this way quite often.

The apple crop was not very large in Yonka valley this year, but the Shook and Flaekus orchards bore enough for the use of the families of the respective owners.

Peter Petersteiner returned from Portland Sunday last. He was entirely successful in accomplishing the purpose of his trip.

Miss Anna Smyth is general manager of the Smyth ranch during the absence of her father and mother on their Ashland trip.

The potato crop in Langell valley is reported short, but there seems to be no shortage here. Frost has injured some of the late ones, however.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Stoehsler, with Mrs. Geo. Biehn as their guest, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beck last Friday.

Miss Rosa Beck will attend to domestic concerns at the Henley ranch for awhile. She departed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin McCumber are rejoicing in the arrival of a new boy baby to add to their flock.

A YOUNG ORGANIST.

The last issue of the Catholic Sentinel, published in Portland contains the following: "On Sunday morning August 12, in the new Sacred Heart church of Klamath Falls, for the first time a choir rendered special music during mass. Bernice Noel, the 12-year old

AGREEMENT IS RATIFIED

Street Car Controversy Is Finally Settled Amicably

TO COMPLETE LINES AT ONCE

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Noel, presided at the organ. A choir of four voices sang to the beautiful strains of music brought forth by the young performer, who received her musical education from the Benedictine Sisters of Mt. Angel Academy, Mt. Angel, Ore. The voices were Mrs. J. M. Nelson, Mrs. S. K. Noel, soprano; Mrs. Rosenbaum, alto; S. K. Noel, tenor and director. Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Feusi, S. J., parish priest, whose congregation is rapidly increasing." Accompanying the article was a splendid picture of Miss Noel, who is perhaps the youngest organist on the Pacific coast.

City Council Meets

At the regular meeting of the city council was indicated the rapid growth of this city, in the increased demand for the extension and improvement of streets and the requirement of property for this purpose.

The question of the grading of Main street, at the intersection of Conger avenue, occupied a good deal of the time of the council. When this work was undertaken it was the understanding that it would cost \$750, and the council readily agreed to have the work done upon the offer of the Klamath Canal Company to bear one-half of the expense. On the completion of the work, it was found that the cost had reached almost \$900, but the council refused to pay more than \$375, the amount originally agreed upon, and directed the issuance of a warrant for this amount, payable to the order of the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company, successors to the Klamath Canal Company.

The extension of Fifth street towards the high school has been finally settled by the acquisition of intervening property, for which the city will pay to George R. Hurn \$1,000 and Fred Schulz \$300.

E. F. Henry claimed that a portion of his property at 18th street and the county road is being used by the city, and the matter was referred to City Engineer Zumwalt for investigation.

An electric light was ordered placed at the corner of Second and Pine streets, on request of a number of residents in that section.

An ordinance changing the vanderville show license to \$60 per year was passed. This applies only to shows conducted by local people and not to travelling shows, the license fee for which remains as heretofore.

Seventh street, between Main and Pine, was ordered improved and the bills for the grading of Third street, cost of which will not exceed \$300, were ordered paid.

The Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company called the attention of the council to the fact that the established grade of Main street, beginning at Conger avenue, gradually got over until Center street was reached, at which point it was two and one-half feet below the present grade. A petition of the property owners was presented, requesting the council to grade the street at once, and the transportation company stated that if the work was done in conjunction with the readjustment of their street railway tracks, it would save the city considerable money, put the street in good condition and prevent interference of traffic. If the street car tracks are put to grade, it will leave a gully in the center of the street that will not only be an eye-sore, but a menace to everyone using the thoroughfare. The petition, however, was denied.

The bill presented by C. D. Willson for the improvement of Klamath avenue and Center street was referred to the street committee.

Coming Next Week.

A full line of ladies' and children's cloaks, suits and skirts; up-to-date. Will be here the first of next week.

THE NOVELTY STORE.

When in need of anything in the medicine line, just call at Newsom & Underwood. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Newsom & Underwood, the druggists.

The Klamath Development Co. and the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Com- pany Signed Papers Yesterday

All detail of the agreement between the Klamath Development Company and the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company were completed Wednesday and ratified by both corporations. Under the terms of the contract, the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company acquires all the street railway tracks laid by the Klamath Development Company between Payne alley and Seventh street, the former company paying to the latter all expense connected with the construction of the same.

Under the terms of the ordinance granted to the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company all street car companies are permitted to use the tracks on Main street, and under this provision the Klamath Development Company will use the track recently ceded to the other company. For this privilege they will pay one-half the cost of maintenance and 5 per cent. interest on one-half the investment. Within ninety days after notice has been served by the Klamath Development Company, the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company shall have the track ready for use by the former company. This notice, however, cannot be served until after January 1, 1907.

Immediately on the agreement being reached, the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company began the laying of track from their line on Conger avenue to connect with the newly acquired line at Payne alley, and a force of men were detailed to fill in the gaps in the old line. This work will be completed within the next ten days.

Orders have been placed with Moore Bros. for sufficient ties to complete the line to the Upper lake, and when this is accomplished the Klamath Falls Land and Transportation Company will have a line from lake to lake.

No definite decision has as yet been reached relative to motive power for the cars.

COL. WILKINS INJURED

Sprains Ankle and Knee Wednesday Morning

Col. M. G. Wilkins, president of the Klamath Navigation company sprained his left ankle and knee yesterday morning, while superintending the constructing of the large warehouse his company is constructing on the lake front. The accident was due to his catching the toe of his shoe on a nail, and in his effort to save himself from falling tore loose the tendon of the left ankle. So great was the strain that the muscle was practically torn in two. The knee was also severely strained, it and the ankle are badly swollen.

The injury is a very painful and serious one. It will necessitate the Colonel remaining in bed for at least a week, and this is the hardest part of the ordeal on him. Possessed of that tireless energy that knows no restraint, he has already commenced to rebel against confinement. It will be a month, however, before he will be able to place his weight on the injured limb, and then it is not at all unlikely that he will be a sufferer for many months if not years.

His many friends will be extremely sorry to learn of his misfortune, and they are already endeavoring to make life as pleasant and enjoyable for him as can be done under the circumstances.

Tailor Made Suits

New samples for fall and winter. Suits, Coats and Cravettes. Pleased to see old as well as new customers. Orders taken for the Salin Corset. Call at Peltz's Flat. Mrs. Wm. Whitlock.

It will pay you to see F. W. Berger, the Portland contractor, Klamath Falls, Oregon, for anything in the building line. Plans and specifications furnished.