

HILL HEADED THIS WAY

The Information Causes Unwonted Activity Among Southern Pacific Engineers.

"Jim" Hill's surveyors are headed for Klamath Falls. That is the word that has reached this city and it is this information that has thrown consternation into the ranks of the local engineers of the Southern Pacific representatives here. Already a crew of surveyors are headed for the northern end of the county for the purpose of heading off the Hill men. This fact is denied by Engineers Hoey and Church, but the information comes from reliable sources.

Five days ago The Herald was in receipt of confidential information to the effect that Hill surveyors would start south from Bend this morning. A party has already gone ahead for the purpose of reconnoitering, the main force to follow in a few days. This crew is to be under the personal supervision of the chief engineer of the Hill company and the work was to be rushed with all possible speed. Absolute secrecy was to be maintained until the survey had been run past Odell.

Someone talked, however, and the Harriman people were apprised of the contemplated move. Orders were issued to place men in the field at once and be prepared to cover the tracks of the Hill men. This has been done, and no surprise need be manifested if the announcement is made that work has been commenced in certain of the strategic points north of Odell.

There is no certainty that Hill is coming into this city from the north. He may possibly come in from the east. The survey now under way is to ascertain if a better route can be secured through the Odell country than has already been surveyed from Bend and running between East Lake and the Pauline mountains.

The route that the Hill men will follow will be along the Deschutes river, following the east fork and passing west of the Walker range. This is the most feasible route into this county and has already been surveyed by the Southern Pacific. This survey was made by Engineer Graham and ended at Naylox. The notes were forwarded to San Francisco and were destroyed at the time of the earthquake. Whether Graham has a copy of them is not definitely known, although it is believed that he has. The crew that starts north to keep tab on the Hill men will pick up Graham's work and get their maps in shape for immediate filing, provided it is found necessary to do so.

Definite information as to the work of the Hill engineers will not reach this city for perhaps two weeks, when it is not at all unlikely that crews of men will be placed in the field north of Odell ostensibly for the purpose of beginning work on the Oregon Eastern, but actually to hold on to the strategic points of entrance to Klamath county.

A SERIOUS RUNAWAY

Mrs. E. E. Kirkendall Has a Narrow Escape.

A serious runaway accident occurred on the Altamont road Thursday, between the Melbase place and Altamont, in which Mrs. E. E. Kirkendall sustained a broken arm and other injuries more or less severe. Mr. Kirkendall was driving home with his family when the iron which fastens the tongue to the main body of the wagon broke, letting the tongue drop, frightening the horses and they became unmanageable. Mrs. Kirkendall was thrown from the vehicle. She was taken to the American hotel, where she is under the care of Dr. Hamilton, who reports she has no serious injuries outside of the broken arm. The two children had a miraculous escape, for they were found under the seat unharmed. One of the horses had to be shot on account of the injuries it received. Mr. Kirkendall was unhurt.

E. E. Fitch of Merrill was about town yesterday.

N. S. Merrill of Merrill was in the city yesterday.

J. M. Yowell of Bly was in the city Wednesday.

E. C. Gunn of Bonanza was in the city yesterday.

MAY FOLLOW THE KLAMATH

A Feasible Line on Every Grade and Curvature Can Be Located Along the Klamath River.

A gentleman who has had a large experience in railroad matters, and who is well posted on the present outlook for further railroad building into this country, commenting upon the article in yesterday's Herald as to the coming of Hill's engineers into this section, stated:

"I have been looking for just some such news as contained in yesterday's paper for some time, and this verifies the statement made by Colonel Holabird some time since that 'railroads these days are built on the line of least resistance,' and a glance at the map of Oregon and California will show that a line from Bend down through this country will fulfill that requirement to the letter. It would not surprise me in the least to see Hill's road running down the western side of Upper lake, being thereby enabled to tap the immense body of timber there, a great deal of which belongs to the Weyerhaeuser Timber company.

"It is common knowledge that James J. Hill and Mr. Weyerhaeuser are acting in concert on several large ventures. It would be a very easy matter for Mr. Hill to locate a line on the western side of the lake, for he has ample data to work from in the shape of field notes of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, which show every creek, road, mountain and grade in all of their vast holdings. As to an outlet for the Hill road, should it come down on the western side of the lake, it should be taken into consideration that the Klamath river is one of the outlets from this country, which has not been gobbled up, and that for quite a distance on the river the Weyerhaeuser's control the situation by the Klamath Lake railroad. It is also known that immense electric power is available all the way down the Klamath river from here to the coast, which is being figured on in connection with operating a line down that stream, and it would be a very feasible matter for Mr. Hill to use this route to the coast, thereby opening up an immense timber and mining country, as well as connecting with the Santa Fe at Eureka, thereby securing an entrance into San Francisco."

SAWMILL AT DIXON SPRINGS

Has a Capacity of 20,000 Feet a Day. Formerly Sent Its Entire Output to Merrill.

Turner Bros., who for some time past have been operating a sawmill on the summit of Mount Stukel, will move their mill from its present location to Dixon Springs on this side of the mountain. The task of moving will be commenced some time this fall. The output of this mill heretofore has gone to Merrill and that section. This condition of affairs will, however, change when the mill is installed in its new location, and the output thereafter will come to this city. The mill has a capacity of about 20,000 feet per day. The water supply in their present location has been inadequate, and with the plentiful supply which is to be had at Dixon Springs a continuous operation of this plant is probable.

It will not be many years before this whole country will be alive with the hum of the lumber industry, both large and small, and Klamath Falls, situated as it is, will be the hub. Outsiders see this, hence the predictions of its future greatness.

Born to Jay J. Arant and wife, Tuesday, a son.

F. A. Bellows of Merrill was registered at the Livermore yesterday.

Guy Merrill was in the city yesterday to attend a meeting of the Water Users' association.

SPECIAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS CALLED

At Which the Question of Increasing Capital Stock of Association Will Be Discussed.

A special meeting of the directors of the Water Users' association was held in this city Wednesday afternoon and evening, at which it was decided to call a special meeting of the stockholders of the association for October 22d.

This will be the most important meeting of the association since the time the stockholders voted on the contract with the government. It will be at this meeting that the question of increasing the capital stock will be considered and a vote taken on the question of whether the conditions laid down by the government shall be met or rejected. So important is this question that a full attendance of the members of the association is imperative. In considering the action taken, each individual should act for himself. He should consider the matter dispassionately and vote according to his own judgment, and not be led for or against it by the arguments of someone else.

The proposition to be considered is whether the association shall increase its capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000. This makes the par value \$30 a share, which is what the project is to cost the landowners. On this question every acre signed up to the government can be voted, so that those owning over 160 acres will be entitled to vote his excess holdings.

The directors at the meeting Wednesday appointed N. S. Merrill and J. G. Stevenson as delegates to the Water Users' convention, which is to be held in Denver September 7th.

LEADING A STRENUOUS LIFE

Secretary Ballinger Qualifies for the Rooseveltian Endurance Club.

A North Yakima dispatch of recent date gives the following information: Secretary Richard Ballinger of the Department of the Interior has given practical assurance that the government irrigation projects now under way will be pushed to completion as soon as possible. He said there was now available to complete reclamation projects \$11,000,000, whereas \$27,000,000 was needed. He said, however, that he believed congress would make a way for procuring the funds needed to complete the work now in hand. As for undertaking any new projects at present, the secretary said he believed it would be bad business policy.

Secretary Ballinger received yesterday a delegation of head men of the Yakima Indians, who made several requests, one of which—a request for separate pasture—he granted at once. The Indians also asked that all children born on the reservation since 1904 should be given allotments and that a permanent council of Indians be officially recognized by the government in dealing with questions affecting them. These requests were taken under advisement.

Secretary Ballinger is leading the strenuous life this week in a way to win applause from Roosevelt. He rode 80 miles on horseback Sunday and 70 miles to Fort Simcoe and back Monday. Tuesday he went to Wapato and Toppenish, where citizens of those towns presented a petition urging favorable action on the Wapato project. Wednesday he spent in Ellensburg looking into the Kittitas project and today he went to the Tieton project.

J. G. Stevenson, president of the board of directors of the Water Users' association, was in the city yesterday to attend the meeting of the water users.

NEWELL MAKES CURT DENIAL

Meeting of Senate Irrigation Committee and Water Users' Association Develops Warm Argument

Regarding the recent meeting between the senate irrigation committee and the Water Users' association of the Sunnyside district, the following interesting account comes to us via the exchange route:

The senate irrigation committee, Saturday in the Sunnyside district of the Lower Yakima valley, goes over the government projects in company with Secretary Ballinger, who joined them there. With the senators was also a citizens' committee from North Yakima, representing the city and commercial club, and at the close of the day they accompanied the senators here.

Sunday the senators visited the Tieton project, and returned to North Yakima in the evening and were entertained at a smoker by the commercial club before they left for the coast.

At Sunnyside the committee, with Secretary Ballinger, was present at a meeting of the Sunnyside Water Users' association, at which Walter Granger, manager of the Sunnyside canal, was charged with favoritism, mismanagement, incompetency and dishonesty by the trustees of the association. Senator Carter presided at the meeting.

The lie was passed between F. H. Newell, director of the reclamation service, and the Sunnyside canal trustees. Newell denied that the charges against Granger had ever been made to him, while the trustees maintained they had at a meeting last year. Secretary Ballinger said that if formal charges were preferred against Granger they would be given consideration by his department.

The statement that Granger might "doctor" the books if given time was characterized by Mr. Ballinger as an insult to the reclamation service.

ONLY WOMAN VETERAN DEAD

Carried on the Pension Roll for Service During Civil War.

WASHINGTON, August 26.—Mrs. Sarah E. Thompson, the only woman carried on the rolls of the pension office as a soldier of the Union army, died yesterday.

Mrs. Thompson was recognized as a soldier, largely because of services she rendered the latter part of the civil war by discovering and reporting to federal troops the hiding place of John Morgan, the confederate general who invaded and terrorized Ohio.

WE WANT TO SHOW YOU

Home-Grown Fruit That Tells Its Own Story of Sunshine and Rain Under Klamath Skies.

There are to be seen in the office window of The Herald some fine Klamath county apples, and the person contending that fruit cannot be raised here is respectfully asked to come and have a look. Then, if he continues to feel that fruit cannot be grown here, it would be advisable for him to consult a physician, as there is something radically wrong with his head and his stomach.

The exhibit in the window is not a "picked" display. They were removed from the tree with a hoe, and fell on the bosom of old Mother Earth with a whack that busted a good many finer ones than those on exhibition. The Gravenstein apples are from the orchard of Mrs. A. C. Beals. The Red Astrachans are from that of Judge George Noland.

J. W. and J. P. Churchill, E. J. McNulty and H. L. Walther of Yreka arrived in the city Tuesday via auto. They left yesterday for the Dry lake country and from there will proceed home.

PACIFIC AND EASTERN RAILWAY WILL BE EXTENDED

Arrangements Perfected for Early Settlement of Receivership—New Bonds Disposed Of.

Extension of the Pacific & Eastern railroad to the timber belt, the final winding up and adjudication of its indebtedness as well as the involved finances of the defunct Medford & Crater Lake railroad was assured Tuesday morning, when John Roberts Allen of New York, owner of the Pacific & Eastern, paid to Receiver J. F. Reddy of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad \$77,425 for \$100,000 worth of Pacific & Eastern bonds, which were turned over to Receiver Reddy by Receiver T. C. Devlin of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank in exchange for \$81,500 certificates of deposit on the defunct bank. The certificates of deposit represented the proceeds of the sale of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad to George Estes and associates of Portland. The negotiations were completed by Mr. Allen, Receiver Reddy and his attorney, A. E. Reames, and Attorneys Franklin Griffith and S. B. Lithicum of Portland, who represented Receiver Devlin, before Judge H. K. Hanna at Jacksonville.

The German-American bank, which had assumed the assets and liabilities of the Oregon Trust, and Receiver Devlin agreed before Mr. Allen purchased the Pacific & Eastern stock, to surrender the old Pacific & Eastern bonds they held and accept in lieu thereof new bonds. This agreement they repudiated as soon as Mr. Allen made his purchase, and then repudiated the certificates of deposit held by Receiver Reddy, forcing him to bring suit to establish their validity and demand an accounting. Since then they agreed to surrender the bonds in exchange for the certificates of deposit.

Mr. Allen made two propositions, the first to purchase the certificates of deposit at their face value, \$81,500, paying \$10,000 down and the balance in quarterly payments extended throughout the year. The second proposal was to pay cash less a discount of 5 per cent, which was accepted.

The transactions concluded today open the way for the speedy settlement of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad receivership and the liquidation of its indebtedness as soon as the court passes upon the validity of the claims. They place Mr. Allen in a position to deliver his new issue of bonds as soon as the local bondholders comply with their agreement and surrender their old bonds for the new. The new bond issue has been placed and the money is available for the railroad's extension.

DUCK SEASONS OPENS

There was lively scurrying in the ranks of duck hunters Wednesday and many were the vacant places at the dining table when meal hour arrived, all due to the opening of the duck season. The weather was far better than most expected it would be, although if the rain had only come today instead of yesterday better luck would have followed the efforts of the hunters. Reports indicate that the supply, however, is plentiful, especially of honkers.

DEATH OF CHAS. S. HOAGLAND

Chas. H. Hoagland, an old-time resident of Bonanza, died suddenly Tuesday at about 7:30 p. m. Mr. Hoagland was proprietor of the New American hotel in Bonanza, and also owned other property there. The remains were brought here Wednesday night and taken to Central Point this morning for interment. His mother lives there.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Ramsby, Mrs. S. E. Martin and two children and Mrs. C. M. Ramsby and two children returned Tuesday from the huckleberry patch. They have been in that neighborhood for the past four or five weeks, and made such good use of their time that they brought back with them forty-five gallons of huckleberries. "Dad" says that if the folks had not been in such a hurry he could have equaled last year's record of fifty gallons, and has half a notion to do it anyway.

BALLINGER NOT COMING

Whether He Will Return West and Later Visit the Klamath Project Is Unknown Now.

There is trouble among the "big bugs" of the government, and as a result Secretary Ballinger will not visit this project—at least, not for the present. This change of program has been caused by his hurried departure from Seattle for Washington. It is presumed that his sudden decision to return to the national capital has been due to the controversy raging between his department and Chief Forester Pinchot, although this fact is denied by the secretary. The dispatch announcing his return to Washington is as follows:

Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger hurriedly left Seattle for Washington Tuesday night. Before leaving he said:

"Departmental affairs have made it necessary for me to change my plans and go at once to Washington."

Secretary Ballinger was seen at the railroad station by a representative of the Associated Press. He said that he had not been called east by the president.

"Emergency matters have arisen in the department which make it necessary to lay aside my plans and return to Washington," said the secretary.

"My trip has no special significance. It is not the result of a message from the president. I have practically completed my inspection of the irrigation projects, and can lay aside my plans without difficulty. I have been away from Washington two months, and during that time matters have arisen that require my personal attention. I will probably return to Seattle with the president's party. I cannot discuss the emergency that calls me east."

Secretary Ballinger evinced a desire to convey the impression that he is not contemplating severing his relations with the administration by saying that he hoped to make a trip to Alaska next summer.

"I believe the president wishes to go along," said Mr. Ballinger, in discussing the matter. Although the secretary said that he decided yesterday to go east tonight, the matter was kept secret until thirty minutes before his train left, when his private secretary telephoned to the Associated Press office and announced that Mr. Ballinger was leaving for Washington at once.

Whether he will visit Klamath Falls on his return west with the president is something that has not been decided upon and it is doubtful if even the secretary himself knows. It is barely possible that the president may visit Crater lake, and if he does and Ballinger is a member of the party, he will remain here long enough to make a thorough inspection of the Klamath project.

That his return to Washington was unexpected even to Mr. Ballinger is evidenced by the fact that he had written to President Stevenson of the Water Users' association that when he came here he desired to meet the directors personally. The fight between Pinchot and the Interior Department has reached a stage where either Ballinger or Pinchot must leave the services of the government, and the secretary may have returned for the purpose of marshaling his evidence for presentation to the president. If his position is sustained and Pinchot is proven to be in the wrong, there is only one course open to him, and that is to resign. If, on the other hand, Ballinger is the one that has transgressed, then there will be a new head for the Department of the Interior.

Judge Henry L. Benson left yesterday for Lakeview on business connected with the Oregon Valley Land company.