

SENATE TO TAKE HAND

WILL ENDEAVOR TO FIND CAUSE OF HIGH PRICES

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE

Commander Peary's Bill Is Passed by The Senate and He May Be Promoted

United Press Service.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—The attention of the members of the Senate was taken up for the most part this afternoon by the consideration of the Elkins-Lodge resolution, providing for the appointment of a special committee of seven Senators, whose duty it shall be to investigate the cause of the high cost of living. The resolution was passed substantially as it came from the committee. It is expected that the committee will be ready to make its report next April or May. Senate leaders today are expressing themselves as favoring an early report, so that the people may understand the real situation before the fall campaign. Many of the members of Congress who have to stand for re-election this fall are looking forward to that time with fear and trembling, for the people of the country, especially in the Middle West and East, are in no pleasant frame of mind over the exorbitant prices that are being charged for the necessities of life. Much political capital is being made out of it, the principal claim advanced being that it is all due to the passage of a tariff bill that was designed to raise instead of lower the duties. The working classes of the Nation are beginning to show by their discontent that they suspect that much of the tariff legislation is made to benefit the man who already has enough at the expense of those who have barely sufficient to sustain life.

The House ways and means committee, which has been considering the question of conducting an investigation into the high cost of living, seems to have struck a snag. The delay has caused a rumor to be circulated that the investigation would be abandoned and the House would give the right of way to the Senate committee. This was emphatically denied today by Champ Clark, who declared that the House would certainly investigate, whether there will be a combination of the committees or each travel its own distinct path.

Los Angeles will be placed upon the map as a port by Congress. This follows as a result of a change in the Rivers and Harbors bill, which will hereafter designate San Pedro and Wilmington harbors together as "Los Angeles Harbor." This was decided today by the House committee, and will prove particularly satisfactory to the vanity of the metropolis of Southern California, which has the distinction of being called a seaport, notwithstanding the fact that it is nearly twenty miles from the wharves of its harbor.

The Senate today passed the Hale bill, authorizing the President to promote North Pole Discoverer Peary to the rank of Rear Admiral and place him on the retired list.

PROSECUTOR HENEY ADDRESSES JURY FOR GOVERNMENT

Last Stage of Famous Hermann Trial Is Reached and End Will Come This Week

United Press Service.
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 9.—The last stage of the famous Dinger Hermann trial, that has been holding the attention of the leading men of the State for the past three weeks and which has consumed the energies of the best legal talent obtainable, has been reached, and Saturday will see it in the hands of the jury. Prosecutor Henev commenced his argument to the jury today, and it is expected that he will conclude his talk late this afternoon. The defense, it is expected, will consume all of tomorrow in presenting its side of the case. That will leave Friday for the final argument on the part of the government and the judge's charge to the jury. It is thought possible to place the case in the hands of the jury Friday evening. If this

can be done, it will reach the twelve men and true early Saturday morning.

ANOTHER GOVERNMENT PARK

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—On the main range of the Rockies, in Montana, 50 by 30 miles in area, touching the Canadian boundary, Glacier National Park will be one of the show places of the country, if a bill for its creation passes Congress.

The subject is interesting because the passage of the bill seems to be a certainty. As to the glories of this region, hear Senator Carter, of Montana, telling his fellow solons about them, on the floor of the Senate: "For boldness of scenery, for the beauty of the lakes and the waterfalls, and for the remarkable glacial deposits eternally resting there, it is distinctly unique in all the world's remarkable scenery. There are sixteen living glaciers within the limits of this proposed park, and these are the only living glaciers within the limits of the United States this side of Alaska.

"It is an extremely rugged country. Cliffs rising thousands of feet perpendicularly, great waterfalls, glaciers, forests, and all that goes to make bold and unique scenery can be reached over ordinary horse trails. "The Canadian Government has in contemplation the addition of a like area to the north of the line, this being with a view to providing a refuge for the wild game which now abounds, but which will not long continue in that open and unprotected region.

"I think this park contains the last distinct habitat of the mountain sheep within the limits of the United States. A Senator who has visited the place recently spoke of ascending one of the pinnacles or cliffs and observing the mountain sheep going down to an ancient lick that oozed out of the side of the cliff. He said that these sheep had been traveling down that mountain cliff until they had worn pathways through the solid rock along the trail, and that sometimes these washes in the rocks reached as deep as two feet. Through all the centuries those interesting animals have been visiting that spot. It is surely desirable that this last retreat of this rare class of animals should be preserved in some manner from invasion, so as to avert extermination.

"Mountain goats abound there also and it is believed that it would be well to set apart this limited patch of ground in all the vast extent of the Rocky Mountains where these animals can repair in peace to abide and propagate their kind and prevent the extinction of that species."

VOLCANO IN COSTA RICA IN VIOLENT ERUPTION

Hurls Stones for Miles and Covers Streets With Ashes

United Press Service.
PORT LIMON, Costa Rica, Feb. 8.—After lying dormant for years, with but spasmodic grumbings to warn the natives that life was not yet extinct, the volcano Poas has burst forth in all its fury and is today hurling stones weighing over 200 pounds over two miles from the crater. The eruption is the worst in the history of this fiery monster, and threatens to go down in history as one of the greatest that has ever occurred in this hemisphere. Streams of lava are flowing down the scamed sides of the mountain and inundating the fertile valleys at its base. Towns and villages have been destroyed and plantations leveled, and for miles destruction and ruin meet the eye. For five kilometers surrounding the mountain the country has been subjected to a bombardment of rocks, the roofs of houses at the extremity of the circle having been pierced with rocks weighing over 100 pounds. One of the villages to suffer most is La Locheria, where ashes and rocks have fallen to a great depth in the streets. Villages and towns almost to San Jose have been deserted, and it is rumored that the loss of life will be very heavy, although no definite information on that point is obtainable at this time. The inhabitants are filled with hopeless terror and are running panic stricken in every direction, their one thought being to get beyond the reach of the molten lava, huge stones and burning ashes.

A party of scientists left San Jose today for the volcano for the purpose of making observations.

TO DEVELOP PELICAN BAY

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY WILL BUILD HOTEL

HIGHWAYS TO CRATER LAKE

Odessa and Pelican Bay Will Be the Starting Point for the Tourists

Pelican Bay is not to be lost to the tourist of the Pacific Coast, and Klamath County is not to be denied the pleasure of seeing carried to completion the plans of development of this resort that the late E. H. Harriman had in mind when he purchased the property. Rumor has it that the Southern Pacific Company has, or will, take over the property. At the present time it is in the name of W. H. Holabird, who acted as the purchasing agent of Mr. Harriman, but it is not unlikely that ere long a formal transfer of the property to its new owners will be made.

No confirmation of the stories of development of this property could be secured from any of the officials, though the information comes through sources that are in a position to furnish fairly authentic information. According to this information, it is the intention of the Southern Pacific to make Pelican Bay and Odessa the greatest resorts on the Pacific Coast. Heretofore it has been supposed that when Crater Lake was opened to the people of the world, magnificent hotels would be erected in close proximity to that scenic wonder, but this may not be done, at least not at the present time. The Southern Pacific recognizes that lying between Pelican Bay and Odessa and Crater Lake is a section unsurpassed for natural beauty; that it is a section that would be particularly attractive to the tourist, and that the best possible way to open it up would be to make Pelican Bay the starting point.

The plans under consideration provide for the erection of a magnificent tourist hotel close to the site occupied by the old Lodge building. A system of highways are to be constructed between that point and Crater Lake that will make accessible to the tourist all of the points of interest. No decision has been reached as to whether automobiles or an electric system will furnish the means of transportation, but most likely it will be the former, since one of the largest automobile companies on the Coast is figuring on handling the business.

Already the Southern Pacific Company has commenced the preparation of descriptive literature of this section of the county, and it is stated by those who have seen some of it that it will be the finest ever issued by the company, surpassing in perfection the book of A Thousand Wonders. It will deal exclusively with Crater Lake and the surrounding country and will be placed in every Southern Pacific office in the world.

Whether the work on the hotel and highways will be begun this year or next has not been definitely settled. The plans are so extensive that it will take several years to bring them to their full completion, and it is possible that a great deal of preliminary work will be done during the coming summer.

All of the employes now at the Lodge and all work done on the property is now being paid for by the Southern Pacific Company, and this fact lends considerable weight to the statements that all of the plans of development will be carried out and that section of the Upper Lake opened not only to the people of the county but also to the tourists of the world.

LIBRARY BOOKS RECEIVED

The following documents have been received from the Oregon State Library by the public library of this city:

Messages and Documents 1909, two volumes; Senate and House Journals, 1909; Constitution and Directory, 1909; State Levy of Taxes, 1910; Equalization of Taxes, 1909; Bank Examiner, 1909; Election Laws, 1907; Assessment and Taxation Laws, 1909; Insurance Laws, 1909; Assessment and Taxation Com., 1906; Anniversary Proceedings, 1909.

SECOND CITY OF THE STATE

P. C. LAVEY THINKS KLAMATH FALLS WILL BE

HAS WONDERFUL RESOURCES

Came Here With Something of Doubt as to the Possibilities and Is Convinced

P. C. Lavey, head of the P. C. Lavey & Co., of Portland, arrived in the city last Tuesday. Lavey & Company is one of the largest realty firms in Portland and has sold more Oregon real estate than any other firm in the State. They have the handling of all of the properties of the Klamath Development Company, and are now carrying on an extensive advertising campaign to bring these properties to the attention of the purchasing public in that section of the Coast. This is Mr. Lavey's first visit to the city and he has devoted most of his time since arriving in the city to making a close examination of conditions here, with a view of thoroughly familiarizing himself with Klamath Falls and the country immediately adjacent thereto. In discussing this city and its advantages as he sees them Mr. Lavey said:

"I must confess that I came to Klamath Falls with something of a doubt in my mind. Representatives of our firm have been here before me and returned to Portland with such glowing statements that I was doubtful if such great possibilities existed. The same was true of others who came here and of business men from this city with whom I talked. They all were filled with predictions of the greatness in store not only for Klamath Falls, but also Klamath County. Our firm has undertaken an extensive advertising campaign that has to do with property in this city and vicinity, and inasmuch as I wanted to have the same confidence in this section that my co-workers had I decided to come here and see for myself.

"I have devoted every moment at my command to making a searching examination into conditions here and will continue to do so for the rest of today. I have, however, seen enough to convince me that what I have heard heretofore is all true. I expect to go to San Francisco Thursday morning and will return here again in a few days for a more extensive exploration of the territory outside of this city, and if I find the same thing in that section that I have found here there will be removed the last vestige of doubt from my mind.

"I have learned enough during my brief stay here to convince me that your most enthusiastic citizens have not overestimated the future of this place. I did not believe it possible for any one town, located as is this and left so long undeveloped, could possess the advantages to be found here, and a man must indeed be very short sighted if he will fail to grasp the situation after a short investigation. I have found that you have here three important factors that are in themselves sufficient to insure a city of many thousand population. These are, first, the great farming section at your door, backed up as it is by the great reclamation project now under construction; second, the immense timber resources that have until this time remained untouched, but which I am reliably informed, will soon be developed to their fullest capacity; third, the great scenic country to the north, that is now being opened to the tourist by the construction of the Southern Pacific Company. Then add to these the many industries and enterprises that naturally gravitate to a city that is growing rapidly and come to a section that is meeting with substantial development, and you have the final touch that must necessarily result in an amazing growth for this community.

"Some people wonder why these things must come to pass. The first reason is contained in the three causes I have cited; the second is that the entire Pacific Coast is undergoing a great change. Thousands of homeseekers are coming to the Coast in search of new homes. During the past five years there has not been a hamlet from one end of the Coast to the other that has not greatly increased in population. That

growth is but in its infancy. The next five years will see this greatly increased. When it is remembered that in the vast territory lying between Canada and Mexico, bordering on the Pacific Ocean, a comparatively small portion of it is susceptible to agricultural development it will readily be seen that those sections offering the most favorable advantages to the farmer and homeseeker will be the ones first to be filled up. From what I have learned Klamath County is particularly blessed along this line and naturally will receive a greater proportion of this new blood than many other places where conditions are not so favorable. Our firm has been particularly fortunate in the matter of getting in touch with the various sections of the Northwest and we are therefore in a pretty good position to pass judgment on various localities as compared with others. In view of this fact I believe Klamath Falls is mighty close to the top, if it does not occupy the leading place.

"The people here need have no doubt of the future of their city and county. They should get together and be a bunch of boosters. They should learn what they have here and push it along. Unity of action at home is the greatest factor. I find here considerable optimism and practically no pessimism and that is one of the best of all the things for a newcomer to find. With the right spirit and push and energy there is no reason why within the next few years Klamath Falls should not be the second city of the State."

SEATTLE REPUBLICANS FAVOR WIDE OPEN TOWN

Indicated in the Overwhelming Nomination of Hiram C. Gill

United Press Service.
SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 9.—With the overwhelming nomination of Hiram C. Gill as Republican mayoralty candidate, Seattle today announced its decision in favor of a "wide open" town, and its displeasure of the recent period of restriction. The campaign was clearly conducted along these lines, Gill publicly announcing that if nominated and elected Seattle would once more be ruled by a policy that would be favorable to the unrestricted license of the sporting fraternity. Political observers today look upon the result as one of the most remarkable demonstrations at the polls ever known in the history of the Northwest. Gill's victory was not a close one, his majority over his opponents being sufficient to emphatically show the sentiment of the rank and file of the Republicans of the city.

DR. WILLARD BRADLEY RISING DIES AT BERKELEY HOME

United Press Service.
BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 9.—Dr. Willard Bradley Rising, for more than 43 years connected with the faculty of the University of California, died today at his home in this city, aged 79 years. Dr. Rising was a native of New York. He graduated from the Hamilton College and University of Michigan. He was made Doctor of Philosophy by the Heidelberg University, an honor which he greatly prized. He came to the old College of California in 1867, when that was made the University of California, and was given the chair of chemistry, from which position he retired last year. He was a member of the Jury of Awards at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, and the Paris Exposition. He was also a member of the Berlin Chemical Society, Society of Chemical Industry of London, and the Washington Academy of Science.

STRIKE IS THREATENED BY CHICAGO SWITCHMEN

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Vice-President Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railway Switchmen, stated today that if the Railroad Terminal Association of this city did not grant the demand of the switchmen and yardmen for an increase of wages by Saturday that a strike would be called. The ultimatum will be presented to the railroads tomorrow and if refused a strike will be called Saturday night. The effect of such an order may be far reaching, as the men all along the line of the roads leading into the city are restless, and the strike may spread to the West.

W. P. Sedge, the Dairy merchant, was in the city during the past week.

HARRIS GETS BIG CONTRACT

CALLS FOR LAYING OF 60,000 SQUARE FEET OF SIDEWALK

IN THE HOT SPRINGS ADDITION

New Real Estate Firm Purchases Sixty-Seven Lots and Will Erect Houses

The largest contract ever entered into for the construction of cement sidewalks was closed Monday between O. A. Harris and the Klamath Development Company, and calls for the laying of 60,000 square feet of cement walks. This is approximately three miles of sidewalk, and is indicative of the activity that will prevail in this section of the city during the coming summer. It is the intention of the company to lay sidewalks along all of the principal streets and many of the cross streets, in the Hot Springs addition, and this work, taken in connection with the installation of the sewer system and the construction of new roads and streets, will result in the spending of many thousands of dollars for labor and material.

One of the important developments during the week has been the sale to Messrs. M. M. Garoute and Robert S. Campbell, of San Francisco, of sixty-seven lots in this addition. These gentlemen will open a real estate office in the city about March 1, under the name of the Klamath Falls Realty Company. One of the purposes of this new firm is to erect handsome cottages on the lots and sell them to homeseekers on the easy payment plan. They are both men of wide experience and will be a valuable addition to the business interests of the city. Mr. Garoute has been for years connected with the Spring Valley Water Company of San Francisco and Mr. Campbell was for many years engaged in the banking business in South Bend, Ind.

SIX KILLED AND SCORE INJURED IN MINE DISASTER

Kentucky Adds Another to the Long List of Mine Explosions

United Press Service.
LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 9.—Kentucky today added another disaster to the long list of those that have occurred in the mines of the country this year. The explosion occurred in the Stearns mine near this city, resulting in the death of six men and the injury of nearly a score of others. That the loss of life was not greater is due to the fact that the explosion occurred in a remote section of the mine. Had this not been the case the loss of life would have been as appalling as that usually following such disasters. The bodies of the dead men have already been recovered and judging from their condition they met death instantly. A searching investigation has already been undertaken by State Mine Inspector Norwood, who arrived on the scene soon after the explosion occurred.

NORTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS WRECKED IN MONTANA

Twenty-Five Passengers Meet With Injuries and Have Narrow Escape

United Press Service.
BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 9.—The Chicago express on the Northern Pacific was wrecked at Smead, a small town in the western part of this State, yesterday. The wreck was due to the spreading of the rails. The entire train, with the exception of the two last Pullmans, left the rails and turned over, resulting in the injury of twenty-five passengers. None of the injuries inflicted will prove fatal, although many of the passengers were badly mangled. The train stopped on the brink of the cliffs overlooking Clark's forks of the Columbia River, and it was miraculous that the cars did not topple over into the water. Had this happened the loss of life would have been heavy.

Metal holders for drinking glasses, in which water may be heated to several set temperatures by electricity, are a recently invented convenience for dentists.