

FIRE DESTROYS BONANZA BLOCKS

PRACTICALLY ALL OF THE BUSINESS SECTION DESTROYED

MAY BE WORK OF AN INCENDIARY

Mysterious Alarm Given by Some Unknown Party Arouses Suspicion of the Citizens.

Special to the Herald.

BONANZA, Ore., May 16.—The stillness of the midnight air was broken at 12:15 Sunday morning by the clarion notes of "Whoopie! Whoopie! Whoopie! Whoopie!" sung out to bring from their beds the citizens of Bonanza to witness the commencement of a conflagration that burned until practically all of the business houses of this city were destroyed. In answer to the call of the mysterious stranger, whose identity still remains unknown, brought to the street Charles Lambert, who was in the business house of Harry Nichols. As soon as he stepped from the door the red glare of flames that had already eaten their way through the roof of the building occupied by the Driscoll Mercantile company caught his eye, and he sounded an alarm that brought out every man, woman and child in the town and started the heroic fight to save from destruction the little city of the upper country.

The fire started in the hall occupied by the Odd Fellows lodge. There had been no fire in this part of the building at any time during the day. A meeting of the Grangers had been held there during the afternoon, but it is unlikely that the fire had its origin following it, for the mercantile establishment of the Driscoll Brothers, which occupies the ground floor, was open until after 10 o'clock, and no sign of the fire was detected up to that time. The belief that it was of incendiary origin is gaining ground every moment, and this suspicion is considerably strengthened by the mysterious manner in which the alarm was first given. No one has yet come forward with the information that he was the person who sang out the "whoopie" that gave the first alarm of the fire, and until that person is found the idea of incendiary origin must remain.

As soon as the alarm was sounded it was quickly answered and the work of saving adjoining property commenced. It had gained such headway in the Driscoll building that all hope of saving that structure was abandoned. It quickly spread to the adjoining buildings and reached across the street and set fire to the Big Springs hotel and barn. It was not until the opera house block was destroyed that the fire was checked, and it is due to the chemical engine that was recently purchased by the town that this was accomplished.

The following buildings were destroyed:

Driscoll block, in which was the mercantile establishment of the Driscoll Mercantile company and the Odd Fellows lodge and paraphernalia. Driscoll Brothers carried about \$13,000 insurance. The February inventory showed a stock of about \$19,000, exclusive of fixtures, postoffice equipment and building. The Odd Fellows carried no insurance.

The Big Springs hotel and barn. Bob Malone, soft drink parlor. Harry Nichols, soft drink parlor. American Hotel.

Opera House block, occupied by J. L. Sparreton, with a stock of groceries and confectionery. He carried no insurance, and succeeded in saving only a small portion of his stock: J. A. Hettinger's butchershop, and Hettinger & Bechdorf, groceries and notions.

The total loss will approximate over \$40,000, with the aggregate amount of insurance less than \$20,000. A small amount of bedding from the two hotels and the little stock from the J. L. Sparreton store represented all that was saved from destruction.

A special meeting of the city council was held this afternoon, and steps were taken to establish fire limits for the city. It is realized that this important step has been too long deferred, and now that the fire has brought it forcibly to the notice of the council the necessary ordinance will be passed.

Driscoll Brothers state that they will begin the erection of a modern business block at once. The fire was a heavy blow to them, but their faith in the future of Bonanza is too strong to cause them to waver at this crucial moment.

H. C. Tipton was a visitor in the city Saturday from Olene.

WOMEN TURN OUT AND CLEAN UP THE CITY

Set an Example That Should Be Followed by the Men

The women of this city Saturday turned out and started the campaign for the cleaning up of the streets, alleys and vacant lots of the city, and it had an inspiring effect. Many were the merchants who turned red with shame when they saw the brave little band at work in front of their store. Some of them hid until the work was completed, but others were braver, and willingly acknowledged their guilt and took the work out of the women's hands and did it themselves.

Ordinances have been passed by the council and orders issued by the health officer demanding that certain rules of cleanliness must be observed in the city. Aside from their passage or issuance nothing has ever been done. Now, however, that the women of the city have shown their faith by their works, it is hoped that someone will wake up and see that something is done.

One thing that has become an intolerable nuisance is the distribution of handbills and circulars. As a general rule the boys employed to distribute them deposit large numbers under sidewalks and in the Ankeny canal. These in time find their way into the streets and yards throughout the city. Those that are left at the houses are thrown upon the doorsteps to be blown away. An ordinance should be passed either prohibiting the distribution of circulars entirely, or compelling their being securely fastened around the doorknobs, nailed to posts, or in some other manner prevent their being scattered along the streets.

The work done by the ladies today shows what can be done along this line, and it is to be hoped that the example set will be followed until every unsightly spot in the city is cleaned up.

TAOS PUEBLO INDIANS THREATEN UPRISING

New Mexico's National Guard Called to Quell the Trouble

United Press Service.

SANTA FE, N. M., May 14.—Two companies of New Mexico National Guard are being rushed to Beraneca, where they will take horses for the ancient Taos Indian pueblo, to quell an uprising among the Indians, on request of Sheriff Elizandro, who has notified Governor Mills that the situation has gotten beyond civil control.

The Indians are reported to have cut the telegraph wires, driving away stock and terrorizing the white settlers. The report further states that the Indians assaulted Mrs. L. S. Myers and her two small children and stole their stock. The trouble is said to have started when Myers fenced lands claimed by the Indians.

SANTA FE, N. M., May 14.—4 p.m. The threatened uprising of the Taos Pueblo Indians appears to have come to an end as soon as they learned that the National Guards were sent by the governor. The guards have been notified to return to the capital.

DISAGREEMENT PROBABLE WITH THE HYDE JURY

No Verdict Had Been Reached Up Until Noon Today

United Press Service.

KANSAS CITY, May 14.—When the Hyde jury filed into the court room this morning they announced that they had not agreed on a verdict, and they were ordered taken back to the jury room. It is reported around the court room that four are for acquittal, two for murder in the first degree, with life imprisonment as the penalty, and the remainder for murder in the second degree.

The defendant slept soundly, and appeared in the court room this morning fresh and smiling. Mrs. Hyde visited the jail and comforted her husband.

NOLAND AND KUYKENDALL RETURN FROM LAKEVIEW

Hon. George Noland, circuit judge, and D. V. Kuykendall, prosecuting attorney, returned from Lakeview on Friday. R. M. Richardson remained there for the purpose of reporting the speeches that may be made by the Hill party. The term of court for Lake county was unusually short, the principal business being the granting of divorces. Judge Noland having severed the nuptial ties of eleven couples. The Judge expects to return to Lakeview some time during early fall to hear some important land litigation that will be ready for trial at that time.

There were about 125 people on the excursion Friday on the Winema, going to Agency Landing, where the Indians met them with conveyances and took them to the Agency. The excursion returned about 9 p. m.

\$400,000 AVAILABLE FOR THIS YEAR

SIMPLY WAITING INSTRUCTIONS FROM WASHINGTON

Indications Are That the Latter Part of the Season Will Be a Very Busy One

Unless unforeseen conditions arise it is likely that the latter part of the season will be a busy one, with the local branch of the reclamation service. Project Engineer W. W. Patch has the season's work well outlined and is only awaiting the necessary authorization from Washington before he will begin construction work on an extensive scale. Owing to the complications at the National capital it may be some time before definite action will be taken. The trouble between Secretary Ballinger and Director Newell may have considerable to do with the amount of work that will be done on the Klamath project during the current year.

There are three important pieces of work that should and may receive attention in the immediate future. These are the construction of the Lost river drain, the Upper project and the drainage of the marsh lands. On the first of these preliminary work is now being done. Surveys are being made and tentative options are being taken on rights of way below the Wilson bridge. While the secretary has issued no instructions to purchase rights of way for the canal, Mr. Patch confidently expects that he will shortly be authorized to secure rights of way and to begin the construction of the cut. The object of this drain is to divert the waters of Lost river.

The Upper project is the most doubtful of the works that may be undertaken. The petition to have the project again taken up will have to be acted upon by the secretary before the project can even be recognized.

The marsh lands are in an unsettled condition, and new contracts will have to be signed before the drainage will be undertaken. The work can be begun to the best advantage in the fall when the water is low.

At the present time the work is confined to the building of laterals in the section of the Bohemian colony. In experimental work on Tule lake outlet, and in constructing drainage ditches in places where conditions demand them. The work on the laterals requires only a small force, and will be completed in time to permit the irrigation of lands this spring. On the Tule lake outlet work is progressing very satisfactorily. The flow has been increased to about 32 second feet, and recently another crevice has been opened which will largely increase the volume of water that is pouring into the earth's interior. The outlet has now reached the stage where Mr. Patch considers it of valuable assistance in the lowering of Tule lake.

The main drainage work to be done this year will be on the Lost river slough. It is likely that in the near future a dredge will be built for use in the construction of the drain canal.

There is available close to \$400,000 for work on the project this year. Locally conditions are fast adjusting themselves, but in Washington there is danger of delay. The fund available, if spent this year, would mean extensive operations during the latter part of the season.

The Clear lake dam is still an uncertain quantity. There is a very slight chance that it may be utilized for the original Upper project. The probable use to which it will be put will be the Modoc project. This covers about 30,000 acres of sagebrush land in Modoc county. The water could be utilized for this project and then be brought back and used to reclaim about 3,000 acres in the vicinity of Malin, the new Bohemian town.

If conditions adjust themselves there is every indication that the year 1910 will yet see the Klamath project materially advanced.

Considerable work has been done on the marsh land experimental farm this spring. The land is not in condition to be farmed intensively. The tule mat is yet too heavy to put in vegetables on an extensive scale. The mat has been removed from about an acre and this limited area will be made to show what the lands will produce under the most favorable conditions.

Much of the other acreage has been sown to wheat and various kinds of grains and grasses. Arrangements are now being made to irrigate the farm, it being necessary to flume the water considerable distance to do this.

The Indians Friday defeated the High School team in a warmly contested game by a score of 5 to 3. The game was played at the Agency, and will be followed by another game this afternoon.

WILL ARRIVE IN A SPACIAL TRAIN

SEVENTY-FIVE BUSINESS MEN FROM CAPITAL CITY COMING

Will Undoubtedly Receive a Welcome as Cordial as That Given to the Portland People

Not to be outdone by the business men of Portland, the people of Salem have started out to send through Southern Oregon the largest excursion of business men yet carried over the Southern Pacific. At the head of the movement is Colonel Hofer of the Salem Journal, a man who has done more for the upbuilding of the Willamette Valley than any other one agency in the state. It has taken him years to bring about the change that is transforming that section of the state, but he has never for one moment faltered in the work he undertook to carry to completion.

Not long ago the Colonel was here, and when he saw what a warm reception was afterwards given the Portland people he conceived the idea that it would be a good plan if a similar excursion should be run out of Salem. He sounded the sentiment of the business men of the city, and was surprised to learn that practically all of them were ready to go on such a jaunt.

Negotiations were at once opened with the Southern Pacific for a special train, with the result that one will leave Salem on the 24th, reaching this city on the morning of the 26th. Several stops will be made at the principal points of interest and cities along the route coming and going, the longest stay being in Klamath Falls, where they will remain for one full day.

These excursions are an indication of the interest that is being taken in this city by the people on the outside. Their coming will secure for the city thousands of dollars worth of advertising that could be secured in no other way. An example of this is shown in last Sunday's Oregonian, wherein a full page of the magazine section is devoted to a profusely illustrated write-up of Klamath Falls by C. G. Calvert, one of the members of the Portland party. The value of such an article is inestimable. It reaches a class of people that no literature printed could influence. That the coming of the business men will be productive of a similar result is certain, and no effort should be spared in making it pleasant for them.

INDICTMENT AGAINST GOV. HASKELL TO BE PUSHD

Decision Announced by Attorney General Wickersham

United Press Service.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.—The indictments against Governor Haskell of Oklahoma, in which he is charged with fraud in connection with the sale of town lots in the Indian Territory, will be pushed by the department of justice, according to a decision reached by Attorney General Wickersham today, after a conference with President Taft. It is the plan of the department to have a jury pass on the matter early in June.

Merely a Theory

It was at an evening party. A young man with a tall collar and pale hair was reciting a poem. He had ground out forty-seven stanzas—and the end was not yet.

"What's going on?" whispered the guest who had just come in.

"Rhyme is letting out his latest poem," answered the pessimistic person.

"What's the subject—the motive?" queried the late comer.

"I've forgotten the subject," replied the p. p., "but I suppose the motive must be revenge. At least, I can't see any other reason for it."—Chicago News.

An Indiana Naturalist

The wife of a literary man of the Indiana school, who had taken up chicken raising as a side issue, was telling of the poor success she had with a brood of eleven chickens. They seemed to be doing all right for a few days, she said, and then, one after another, they all died in the coop.

"What did you feed them?" asked the wife of a farmer neighbor.

"Feed them?" exclaimed the author's wife. "I didn't feed them; I thought a healthy young pullet like that should have milk enough for her chicks."—Everybody's Magazine.

E. A. Dunham came in Friday in his auto from Lakeview, and reports some bad pieces of road, particularly just beyond Olene gap. He says that the people of Lake county have been paying a great deal of attention to their roads in anticipation of the coming of the Hill party. While in Lakeview Mr. Dunham disposed of one Reo and one Maxwell car.

LAVEY GOES WITH KLAMATH COMPANY

Portland Man Will Manage the Sales and Advertising of Klamath Development Company

That Oregon's metropolis is the school par excellence for the development of realty operators was demonstrated this morning when W. P. Johnson, secretary and treasurer of the Klamath Development company, announced that that company had selected P. C. Lavey as its general sales and advertising manager. This announcement means that Mr. Lavey will hereafter make his headquarters in San Francisco, where he will control the sales and advertising of the company owning property of immense value in the Klamath country.

Accompanied by G. X. Wendling, president of the Weed Lumber company and the California Pine Box and Lumber company, and S. O. Johnson, president of the Deachutes Lumber company, W. P. Johnson arrived in Portland last Saturday, and has since been negotiating with Mr. Lavey, looking to his taking over the management of the sales and advertising departments of the Klamath Development company. The deal was closed today, and tonight the California capitalists, accompanied by Mr. Lavey, leave for San Francisco, where the latter will at once take up his duties with the Klamath company.

When seen at the Portland hotel this morning, Mr. Johnson said:

"Yes, it is true that the Klamath Development company was compelled to come to Portland to secure the man needed to manage its sales and advertising department. I regard Mr. Lavey as one of the cleverest and most energetic men in the business, and especially well qualified to fill the position he has taken with our company.

"The public is just wakin up to the wonderful possibilities of the Klamath country, and there is no doubt that the ensuing year will witness an influx of people into that section heretofore unparalleled in the history of the western country. With the development of that country Portland is bound to reap a rich harvest."—Portland Journal.

After an extended tour through Canada, the United States, Mexico, Japan and China, H. Reading has decided that Klamath Falls is the coming city, and has opened out as an auctioneer in the office of the P. C. Lavey company. Mr. Reading is an expert in the live stock and farm department, and will undoubtedly receive a fair share of the patronage of the county.

CONSTRUCTION WILL START SOON

POSITIVE ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE AT BURNS

Means the Opening of Central Oregon to Settlement by Thousands of Home Builders

BURNS, Ore., May 12.—Before leaving here with his party Louis W. Hill made the positive statement that his father, James J. Hill, would build an east and west line of railroad across Oregon. Work on this part of the system is to be undertaken soon.

This is the first positive, direct statement to this effect coming from so authoritative a source. When Mr. Hill was in Portland he declined to make any statement to that effect giving as a reason that if it were known that such a move was contemplated certain persons would attempt to interfere with his plans. It is, therefore, evident that whatever plans might have been interfered with have now been protected, and that it is impossible for anyone to molest them.

The construction of this line means the opening of an empire to settlement by home builders. For years this section of the state has been bottled up, and would have remained so had Hill not broken through the cordon of steel that had been built by his rival, Harriman. The construction of this line and the extension of the Boise & Southern to connect with it will remove the last piece of territory of any size that remains without railroad facilities in the state. Work on the road from Boise is now under way, and good progress is being made.

The announcement made by Mr. Hill is of the greatest importance to this city. It means the bringing to the doors of Klamath Falls all of Central and Western Oregon. It also means that within a short space of time Burlington trains will be running into this city on their way to California points.

It removes the last doubt that might have existed as to the future greatness of this city as a distributing point, and the time is no far distant when Klamath Falls will rival other cities in the state as a wholesale center.

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