

WATER USERS DUES BEING FIGURED UP

WITHDRAWAL OF GOVERNMENT LANDS AROUND MIDLAND AND EAST OF MERRILL CAUSES DIFFERENCE.

Secretary Albert E. Elder, of the Klamath Water Users' Association, is busy getting up the assessment roll of the organization, which has to be compiled every spring. For the maintenance of the association whose membership is made up of farmers whose lands are irrigated under the Klamath project of the United States reclamation service, the association charges 10 cents per acre in advance for the coming year. Each farmer who is a stockholder in the association carries a share for each acre he has under the irrigation plan and this means that each acre costs him a dime for the expenses of the association for the year which begins May 1, 1912, and ends May 1, 1913.

The government does not collect in advance and the assessment made on its behalf is for the irrigation season of 1911, of \$3 per acre for the government's building charges and 75 cents per acre for operation, a total of \$3.75 per acre for Uncle Sam, which, added to the dime for each acre for maintenance, makes a total of \$3.85 for each acre under the project represented in the association.

There are 41,412³/₄ acres represented on the association rolls for dues for maintenance of the organization, but only 30,106 acres for which the government is as yet making a charge. The difference in acreage represents land which the government intends to furnish with water, and whose holders desire to be in the association in advance of the time the water is turned on, so as to get the benefits that come to ranchers who belong to the Water Users. These people are principally in the Poe valley and east branch country.

It is expected that the membership, which ran 674 last year, will be about 100 less than that this year, for when the reclamation service decided to withdraw from serving the swamp lands in the vicinity of Midland, it took 89 members from the association, and the withdrawal of the reclamation work from the high lands east of Merrill took a few more. The withdrawal of these members took about 37,588 acres off the association rolls.

CLARK, SHAM HATER, HAS HOUSE FAKERS ON RUN

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—To buck over the traces of time-honored congressional precedents after six years' patient submission, and jump into the limelight as a new national character, is the unique development of Representative Frank Clark (Dem., Florida).

And he is still untamed, protesting against alleged abuses of the house privileges by his colleagues, and kicking up a rumpus generally.

Clark has the distinction of having one of the shortest personal sketches in the congressional directory—and he wrote it himself. He used just thirteen words to tell the public of his claims to distinction, giving his home, Gainesville, Fla., and the mere fact of serving from the Fifty-ninth congress.

The Palmetto state representative browsed obscurely in the house pastures for three terms. But now he is a militant leader, feared by some and honored by many congressmen. He is feared for choking off congressmen who wish to fill the Congressional Record with "phony" speeches that were never spoken, under the "leave to print" privilege. Clark is the watchdog of the Record. He protests against printing a word in the Record that is not actually spoken in the house, depriving members of their ancient privilege of printing long speeches for home consumption. Many wait until Clark is absent before "putting over" a speech by leave to print, fearing the "I object" of the Floridian.

Five feet seven inches of belligerency is Clark. His bulky broad shoulders are in the thick of every fray. He has snappy black eyes, sunk deep under bushy eyebrows, and is crowned by a thick, unruly shock of black hair, slightly streaked with gray. He is the typical Southern statesman, too, in his black Prince Albert suit, low collar and black string tie.

Just now Clark is in the limelight for his alleged expose of alleged land frauds in the Florida Everglades.

Clark is famous for his organization of the "Tell Us How to Vote" Club, by sarcastically suggesting that all democrats seek advice on every subject from William J. Bryan. A message from Bryan on the steel tariff, advising the democratic representatives, caused Clark to attack the peerless leader. Now the club has formally organized, and its members wear buttons in derision of Bryan.

Reading of George Washington's farewell address in the house on Washington's birthday is another distinction of Clark. He suggested reading of the document, declaring former

republican houses had refused to thus honor the Father of His Country.

Speaker Clark ordered the Floridian to read it, and for an hour, until he was hoarse, Clark read the historic paper.

NOT AFTER SECOND PLACE IS ATTITUDE OF JOHNSON

COLUMBUS, March 1.—Gov. Johnson arrived and addressed the convention at 11 a. m. on the recall.

He is not a republican vice-presidential candidate. Interviewed, he said he didn't expect to become a candidate, but would be a demagogue if he said he wouldn't accept. He said: "You may say this: I'm not a candidate at this time. I am more interested in other things, particularly to defeat Taft for renomination. He is only looking at the financial side of things and overlooking the human side. The people are for Roosevelt, the politicians against him. The question is, whether the people or politicians shall have their way."

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RAILROAD WORK THEIR SUMMONS

GENTLEMEN CONNECTED WITH SOUTHERN PACIFIC CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT LEAVE FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Daggett and G. B. Adams left last Thursday afternoon for San Francisco. The gentlemen have been connected with the construction department of the Southern Pacific railroad in this city for several years, and have been transferred to work in the San Francisco office.

Mr. Temple stated this morning that he did not know how long they would be kept in San Francisco, but presumed that in a short time they would be detailed on some of the new construction work. When work is renewed on the Klamath Falls-Natron line they may return here, but probably would be located on the line farther north.

LAND LUBBERS DRILLING IS TO BE EXPENSIVE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—Realizing the value of the naval militia in drilling "land lubbers" in the ways of the sea, the navy department this year has made more extensive preparations for the annual militia cruise than ever before. According to the schedule just issued the Atlantic coast organizations north of New York will cruise from June 16 to 30, with rendezvous at Provincetown, Mass., while the combined exercises and target practice will be from June 17 to 24.

The organizations south of and including New York will cruise from July 14 to 25, with rendezvous at Tangier Island, Chesapeake Bay. July 15 to 22 is allotted for target practice and drills.

The Great Lakes organization will cruise from August 11 to 25, with rendezvous at South Manitou Island, Mich. Their drills and target practice will be from August 12 to 19.

The Pacific coast organization will cruise from June 16 to 30, rendezvousing at a location to be selected later. The exercises and target practice will be from June 17 to 24.

The department also hopes to make arrangements whereby the excess of men over the complements of the ships assigned will cruise on navy vessels.

VENTILATED SHOES ARE TO RELIEVE SOLDIERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—If Major General Bell, commanding the Philippines division, has found a plan for solving the foot troubles of the American soldier, say war department experts, he will put the whole army under a debt of gratitude.

General Bell, in his annual report, recommends that the latest type of shoe with six large eyelets on either side is the ideal service shoe. He also recommends that each man be required to have on hand two pair of these shoes, which should be carefully fitted under the personal supervision of the company commander, and that these shoes should be worn at all times, both on and off duty. This plan would insure every man properly fitted shoes fit for field service, a condition at present far from being realized.

The partnership of Drs. R. R. Hamilton and Leo W. Chilton has been dissolved.

MOTSCHENBACHER'S Second Hand Store, Seventh and Main, has \$125 organ for \$35; a \$35 New Home sewing machine as good as new, \$15; other goods cheap.

EMMITT OFFERS TO BRING WATER

FROM ASPEN LAKE SPRINGS TO CITY FOR \$135,000—FAILS TO GIVE DATA ON WORK WITHIN THE CITY.

Robert A. Emmitt, some time since chosen by the council to do some calculating as to the possibility of the city obtaining a water supply, and who was accompanied by Councilman John Fielder in locating the Aspen Lake Springs' source of supply filed on by the city, made an offer to the council last week to build a pipe line of water for the city for \$135,000, which, evidently, does not include any construction within the city limits. He figures on four miles of 20-inch pipe and 9 of 14-inch pipe, \$122,000; hauling and distributing, \$5,000; digging and back-filling trench two feet under surface, \$8,000; total, \$135,000. He said he stood willing to take the contract at that price.

ISSUE DROUGHT WARNING TO CALIFORNIA PEOPLE

SACRAMENTO, March 1.—The state conservation commission has issued a warning that the present year will be very dry throughout the state. The rainfall varies from 74 per cent of normal at Eureka to only 15 per cent of normal at Independence.

SERBIAN KING SNUBBED BY ENGLAND'S MONARCH

LONDON, March 1.—The king of Serbia has been snubbed by the king of England. In the very polite manner known to royalty King George has caused it to be intimated that he is "not at home" to King Peter. But the peace of Europe is not at all endangered thereby, for Serbia is much too small a state to resent the slight.

Having recently been socially recognized in such a handsome manner by the czar of Russia by reason of his daughter's marriage into the Russian royal family, Peter concluded it was about time to pay a few friendly calls on his brother monarchs throughout Europe. Therefore the foreign office at Belgrade was directed to tout for the necessary invitations. Emperor Franz Josef of Austria consented to receive him, but some of the other courts, although willing to forget and forgive the fact that Peter's ancestors were goatherds, felt that the murder of King Alexander by Peter's friends was of too recent date to make him a desirable guest.

CRAMMED INTO BATHTUB AFTER BEING BEATEN

NEW YORK, March 1.—Mrs. Johanna Huebener, an aged widow, was murderously attacked in the Harlem apartment, where she lived alone, was beaten into insensibility and crammed into a bath tub, while her assailant leisurely looted her flat.

The burglar then turned on sixteen gas jets. Mrs. Huebener was found barely alive. The police at first reported that she was dead.

Frank Cooper, a negro elevator boy, was arrested and charged with the crime. According to the police Cooper has confessed, saying that he had deliberately planned it, and that after pounding the woman with his fists until she became unconscious, he obtained \$65. Thirty dollars in bills stained with blood were found in his pockets.

WOMEN TROUSER WEARERS BEFORE MASCULINE FOLKS

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 1.—Suffragists could have found precedent to help prove their contention that woman is the equal if not the superior of man in the lecture of Mrs. James H. Austin of this city before the Kansas City Historical Society. The lecture was a part of a pioneer exhibition being held by the society.

"I don't suppose we can get the men to admit it, but women in America wore the first trousers," Mrs. Austin said. "The style started about 1890. Men were still wearing 'small clothes.' The ball costume of a society woman of that period is described as consisting in part of pink satin trousers that extended from beneath a rather short dress skirt.

"The trousers or pantaloons were uncomfortable and expensive. The expense was met, however, by shortening them to hang from the knees, being tied with string there.

"John Quincy Adams was the first, perhaps, to introduce trousers for men into this country," concluded the speaker, "when he returned with his father, John Adams, from England."

CASE AGAINST KONOP OFF

Some time ago the First Trust and Savings Bank entered an action against Joseph Konop in order to obtain money, and attached seventeen bovines, through the instrumentality of Sheriff William B. Barnes, Konop settled the account and the cattle are once more free to roam, cavort and frisk—if still alive.

TRIAL OF FAULDER FAIRLY UNDER WAY

TWELVE MEN, MOSTLY FARMERS, FINALLY AGREED UPON TO SIT AND DELIBERATE ON MURDER CASE OF ACCUSED

At 2:30 Thursday afternoon the jury in the trial of Nobel Faulder for the killing of Louis Gebhardt, cook at the Erickson & Patterson construction camp near Williamson river last August, was completed and sworn in. It consists largely of farmers. The following are its personnel:

A. B. Brown, farmer, Langell Valley.
J. M. Holmes, farmer, Poe Valley.
B. G. Terry, farmer, Klamath Basin, near this city.
Charles Burgdorf, farmer, near Dairy.
J. E. Book, farmer, near Merrill.
S. S. Hill, timber cruiser, near Pokenama.
Perry O. DeLap, druggist, Klamath Falls.
James Hilton, pool room operator, Klamath Falls.
Jacob Whitlatch, farmer, near Merrill.
Solomon Dewey, farmer, near Merrill.
F. L. Pope, farmer, near Merrill.
E. E. Walker, cattle man, near Bly.

HARMONITES FOR ACTION, NOT PROCRASTINATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—The Harmon headquarters in Washington gave out statements opposing the suggestion of Senator Bacon and others for a postponement of the democratic national convention scheduled at Baltimore June 25. Harmon's managers profess to see no advantage to the democratic party in lengthening the period between the republican and democratic conventions.

They claim the delegates to Baltimore will have formed their opinions before the republicans meet at Chicago, June 18, and that "the possible action of the republican national convention will have no bearing on what the democrats will have decided to do in Baltimore."

Wickerstrom & Lindstrom are engaged in building a new wharf and sand bunkers on the Upper Lake shore. They expect to do a big business this spring.

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