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RECLAMATION RULING IS SENT OUT

As the order now stands, it applies only to the 1913 building charge on this project. Application has been made for a modification of the order to make it apply to the building charges on this project, due May 1, 1912.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 30.—In view of the representations made at the recent conference of the Water Users Associations in this city, and recognizing that the low prices for farm products in 1912 have rendered it difficult for many settlers to meet their obligations to the government, Secretary of the Interior Lane today issued an important public notice to all settlers on national irrigation projects.

By this order the building charge for the last instalment which became payable in reduced to one-third of the amount due, but not to less than 50 cents per acre; the payment of the balance is to be deferred and added to the last instalment on the water right application. For those who have already paid the charges due a corresponding credit is to be given on the next annual instalment, or they may have the credit applied to the operation and maintenance charges now due.

No person is to receive the benefit of this concession on December 1 next who has not paid all the amounts due for operation and maintenance, and who has cultivated less than one-half of the irrigable area of his land, or not less than five acres for each full-irrigation season since water was first available for the land.

It is provided further in the case of those who are now delinquent and subject to cancellation that if they make payment of the operation and maintenance charges for irrigating their land, no steps will be taken toward cancellation until December 1, 1913.

Secretary Lane announced further that he will urge upon Congress the passage of some act giving a further extension of time for the payment of the building charges under proper limitations and conditions.

"The man who makes a farm and irrigates is the man I am primarily interested in, not in the land speculator," said Secretary Lane today.

"We have been making money for land speculators, not homes for farmers, on some of our projects. I find that we have under our irrigation projects 1,200,000 acres of irrigable land, land upon which we are prepared to deliver water, but we are irrigating only 650,000 acres. Over 95 per cent of the remaining 550,000 acres—all irrigable but unirrigated—is land in private ownership. The man who irrigates his land should have the easiest terms from the government, because he is the one who is giving the public the benefit of that land. The people of the United States have invested \$75,000,000 in building irrigation works to irrigate farms, not to raise the values of lands held out from use. The man who chooses to hold his land from use has a right to speculate upon his own resources, but not upon the advance loan of the government. I think that conditions fully justify special consideration being given to those farmers who have gone upon these reclaimed lands and done their best to cultivate them. The notice given today is an act of leniency toward a debtor who is in difficulties. It should be said in justice to the water users that at the recent hearing not one of them even suggested a desire that the government should waive its debt; all said that they were prepared to meet their obligations to the government if terms somewhat more favorable were given. Less than one-half of the water users have paid the building charges which were due December 1, 1912, and which will be delinquent December 1, 1913. At this time it becomes necessary to insist upon payment of operation and maintenance charges which should have been paid last spring, and which were deferred owing to the pendency of the Swigart vs. Baker case in the courts, in which the right of the government to collect such charges has now been upheld. In view of all of these conditions it seems a wise and just thing to reduce all present building payments, giving credit to those who have paid."

ANNA CREEK WATERS INVOLVED IN ACTION

Nearly a hundred land owners in the Wood River Valley are defendants in an equity action commenced in circuit court Monday by Page & Strat-

ton to determine the question of the right to water from Anna Creek. The complaint was filed this morning by Page & Stratton, their attorneys are Teal, Minor & Winfree of Portland.

Others listed as plaintiffs are Mr. and Mrs. Dan W. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melhase, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shive, F. L. Burns and Fred P. Crone-miller. These are claimants to water under the Melhase ditch.

The defendants listed include, among others, George M. Denton, H. J. Gorden, Anna Fordy, Caroline Patchen, George Lisk, the Leever family, Robert Connor, L. W. Copeland, W. E. Nicholson, Mrs. Mary B. Orr, Pelton-Sisemore company, L. A. Crance, E. Sanderson, Abner Weed, B. H. Loosley, M. F. Loosley, Will Beckley, John McDonough, R. A. Moon and L. M. Streeter. This list includes all who are taking water from Anna Creek.

The plaintiffs in the action are joint owners of the Melhase ditch, by which they claim they are entitled to divert 2,500 inches of water from Anna Creek for irrigating their farms. The defendants, diverting water for the Shattuck ditch and other waterways to irrigate their lands, they claim has deprived them of the full amount of water due them, and for this reason, they allege, their ranches are suffering.

The complaint asks the court to issue a judgment to the effect that the water users under the Melhase ditch are the owners of 2,500 inches of water, and that the others be restrained from diverting any quantity of water that would lessen the flow the plaintiffs say they are entitled to.

BURGLARS' PLAN IS FRUSTRATED

INTRUDER ATTEMPTS TO TEAR OFF CLOTH SCREEN, BUT FLEES WHEN LIGHT IS TURNED ON IN ROOM

An attempted house breaking is reported by J. H. Wenner, who lives on Manzanita street, near the railroad crossing. About 2 o'clock Sunday morning Mrs. Wenner was awakened by a noise, which proved to be someone ripping a wire screen off one of the windows. As the lights were turned on someone was heard running away from the house. It was very dark, so no attempt was made to search the yard.

The next morning it was discovered that cloth screens had been torn from four of the windows at the side of the house, and the imprint of a chisel or jimmy was plainly seen under each of the windows, where the parties had attempted to raise the sash. As these were all securely fastened, it is presumed that they tried the window with the wire screen, and were scared away by the inmates before they had affected an entrance. Footprints of three people were discovered around the house and in the garden. The matter was reported to the police, but no clue has been secured to the would-be robbers.

TWO CONVERTS.

FIRST COMMUNION

Two new members were received into the Catholic church at Sunday morning's services at Sacred Heart church. These were Miss Myrtle Mills and William Lubke.

In addition a large number of children made their first communion, and members of last year's class made renewals. Those receiving for the first time were:

Murray Hannon, Cecil Matt, Clarence Wight, Albert Godard, John Godard, Leodore Gerue, Louis Gerue, Veronica McAndrews, Rose Godard, Anita Lawrence, Mildred Wight.

The renewals were: John McAndrews, John Linman, Garret Konop, James McGuire, Chas. McGuire, Walter Hannon, Stanley Santimaw, Edward Javerolsky, Peter Motschenbacher, Henry Bolvin, Jos. McDonald, Edwin Baile, Kathryn McAndrews, Carrie Buermann, Helen Buermann, Irene Santamau, Beatrice McAndrews, Nettie Matt, Gertrude Day, Catherine Shaffer, Hiltrudis Sullivan, Harriett Lawrence, Leona Gerue, Loretta Konop, Lilly Provost, Aloysia Dreher, Eleanor Dreher.

Following the mass, the children were the guests of the Altar Society at a breakfast, served on the lawn of the church. Again in the afternoon, the children and their friends were served ice cream and cake by the society, and the youngsters spent a highly enjoyable afternoon.

J. A. Short was in from the Short ranch on the Merrill road Monday, attending to business matters.

PLAYER DEMANDS MONEY ON FIELD

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MERRILL CATCHER, A FEW MINUTES BEFORE GAME, QUITS BECAUSE MANAGER OF TEAM WON'T SLIP HIM A "V"

By W. L. DUHL

It is hardly probable that there is a town in the United States of the size of Merrill with a more loyal aggregation of "fans" and "fannettes"; and Sunday afternoon one shriveled-souled individual with the heart of a Shylock made the whole town hang its head in humiliation and shame. The loss of a five-inning baseball game by the top-sided score of 23 to 0 is nothing compared to the disgrace of harboring in their midst a human skunk so low in the scale of being that he "threw down" the Merrill team for a puny five-case note.

The teams of Merrill and Klamath Falls are amateur teams, playing the game for the pure joy of it, and for the amusement of the people of the two towns. Financial consideration has never entered into the game beyond a matter of expenses for transportation.

Sunday, however, the regular catcher for the Merrill team wanted \$5 from Manager Guy Merrill for playing the game, and because Manager Merrill refused to be held up the regular catcher resigned. This is not an excuse for Merrill losing the game, for the way the Klamath boys played Sunday they would have won from any of the Pacific Coast League teams, but it accounts, in part, for the one-sided score.

Merrill had to use an infielder behind the bat, an outfielder on the bag and an entirely untried man in the line-up.

One inning will be sufficient as to detail, for you can imagine the rest.

Maxwell was the first to face Blodgett in the fourth frame, and reached bag number one on Martin's error, stole second, and tallied when Baum clouted safely to right pasture. While Blodgett was trying to walk Capron, Baum purloined his way to the middle station; Capron refused to be allowed free transportation, and swung at a wild pitch for the third strike and beat it to first before Vorhatzer could recover the ball.

Motschenbacher binged a clean one through the infield, scoring Baum and advancing Capron to third; Ambrose drew a walk, sousing the sacks. With two balls called on Arnold, Blodgett retired from the firing line, giving way to Vincent. It looked for a minute that the change was going to work out fine, as Vincent made Arnold an infield out and retired Shive on three strikes, but the Klamath boys soon solved Vincent and renewed the slaughter. Houston chopped one to short left, scoring Capron; George and Motschenbacher pulled off the squeeze, George getting credit for a hit, as he beat the throw to first; Ambrose scooted home while the ball was being returned to the box.

Maxwell, up for the second time in the inning, went to first on four wide ones; Baum gathered his second hit for the inning, as did Motschenbacher after Capron had whiffed; Ambrose cleaned the bag with a slam to left, going round to third on the throw-in; Vincent made a bad peg in an attempt to retire Arnold at first, and Ambrose tallied on the error; Shive grounded out, ending the agony.

Guy Merrill went in to do the heavy lifting in the fifth, and covered himself with glory on a play at first, when he covered the bag while Dyer fielded a clout from Baum's bat. Dyer made a wide peg, but Guy reached way out and pulled it in for a put-out.

UMPQUA FREED

BY THE JURORS

Fifteen minutes after the jury in the Umpqua case entered the jury room early Monday evening, they returned with a verdict of not guilty, acquitting Chenoweth Umpqua of the murder of Frank Jack. The shooting took place near Fort Klamath in September.

The prosecution held that Umpqua met Jack near the Wood River bridge and demanded some money for carpenter work he had performed. During the quarrel, it was held, Umpqua shot him. A statement made by Jack before his death was introduced to prove this.

The defense, conducted by W. H. Shaw and Horace M. Manning, contended that there were others present at the time of the shooting, and that because Umpqua was a Rogue River Indian and the others concerned were of the Klamath tribe, an effort was being made to "railroad" him.

Testimony introduced by the defense tended to show that there were others present at the time of the shooting, and left the question of Umpqua's guilt in doubt.

This morning Umpqua left for Yoncalla, the home of the Rogue River Indians, where he was raised. He was accompanied by Jake Fern, his brother-in-law, who has been in attendance during the trial.

Ambrose got away with the acintillating stunt when he backed up on a fly ball from C. Vorhatzer's willow, and made a one-handed catch. F. Vorhatzer sustained a busted finger in the third, and Vincent also sported a busted finger.

Manager Merrill will bring his team to Klamath in a week or so, and warns the Klamath bunch to be in readiness for a red-hot game.

Look at this. Ain't it awful, Mabel?

MERRILL

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Dyer, lf & lb	2	0	2	2	0	2
Vincent, 3b & p	2	0	0	2	2	0
F. Vorhatzer, c&lf	2	0	1	2	2	2
Martin, lb & lf	2	0	0	3	0	2
P. Vorhatzer, ss&c	2	0	0	2	1	1
Blodgett, p & ss	1	0	0	1	2	0
C. Vorhatzer, 2&3b	2	0	0	2	1	0
D. Vorhatzer, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Pope	1	0	1	0	0	0
Merrill, p	0	0	0	1	1	0
Total	16	0	4	15	9	8

KLAMATH FALLS

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Houston, rf	4	1	2	1	0	0
George, 2b	4	3	1	0	2	1
Maxwell, ss	4	2	0	2	0	0
Baum, cf	5	3	1	0	0	0
Capron, lf	5	4	2	0	0	0
Motschenbacher, c	5	4	3	4	1	0
Ambrose, 3b	2	4	2	2	2	0
Arnold, lb	4	0	2	5	0	0
Shive, p	3	0	0	0	3	0
Total	36	23	17	12	10	1

*Five innings. xFour innings.

Summary—Stolen bases, Houston, George, Maxwell (3), Baum (2), Capron (2), Motschenbacher (3), Ambrose (3), Arnold (2). Two-base hits, Arnold, F. Vorhatzer. Home run, Capron. Struckout, by Blodgett 2 in three innings; by Vincent 1 in one inning; by Shive, 2. Hits, off Blodgett, 12 in three innings; off Vincent, 3 in one inning; off Guy Merrill, 2 in one inning; off Shive 4. Double play, Shive to Ambrose to Maxwell. Time of game, 1:25. Umpire, Dr. Chilton.

Frank D. Courtade is here from Odesa, attending to business matters.

WHITE PELICAN CHANGES HANDS INVESTIGATE KLAMATH POWER SITES

BALLS ARE TO ASSUME CHARGE OF HOTEL

Although Deal is Not Definitely Closed by the Actual Signing of Papers, It Has Been Discussed in Klamath Falls for the Past Two Weeks, and Help at the Pelican Were Interviewed Today by Mr. and Mrs. Hall

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hall may soon become the managers of the White Pelican hotel, by the terms of an agreement between the Halls and the Klamath Development, which is being considered. It is stated that this will in all probability be signed this afternoon or tonight, and the new regime at the Pelican will begin in the morning.

For several weeks rumors of the hotel consolidation have been current, but it was not until this morning that there appeared to be anything definite to the reported negotiations.

Details of the transaction are not available. It is believed, however, that the owners of the White Pelican have agreed to buy an interest in the Hotel Hall, and that the Halls will lease the Pelican for two years.

The Halls are among the best known hotel managers in the West. They have fully demonstrated their ability in this city, first in the Hotel Baldwin, and later in their fine new hotel, which bears their name.

Clean mirrors with warm soapsuds, and rinse with warm water and ammonia; then rub them over with whitening tied in a piece of muslin and polish with a chamols skin.

J. E. Paddock is here on a business trip. He is a well known resident of Lorella.

The Concord name stands for something better in a Piano.

Shepherd Piano Depot

Lower Klamath Marsh Land Owners Association Being Formed at Meeting of Owners of Tracts Skirting Lower Lake, in Session at Chamber of Commerce—Seek to Have Water Lowered by Closing Gates.

Formation of the Lower Klamath Marsh Land Owners Association was perfected on Monday at the Klamath Chamber of Commerce, when the owners of more than 15,000 acres of marsh land met to work toward securing the reclamation of this project.

The association is formed for the purpose of giving unity to the efforts of the members. Through this head they can conduct with more facility their conferences with the interior and agricultural departments at Washington.

The membership is to take in all marsh land owners on the east side of the railroad line. These people ask the government to put headgates in the concrete structure provided for them at the point where the railroad crosses the Klamath Straits, so the spring flow of water can be shut out of the lake.

By lowering the water level three feet it is estimated that 50,000 acres or more of land, now under water, would be reclaimed for hay and pasture.

The Hotel Hall-White Pelican merger spoken of in Monday's Herald was effected late that afternoon. Tuesday morning Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hall assumed the management of the White Pelican, which they have leased for two years.

In addition to conducting the White Pelican the Halls will continue to operate the Hotel Hall, the fine new hotel they opened this winter. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are noted throughout the West for their success in hotel management.

Sale of Lace Hose

--in black, tan and colors. Hose that was made to sell at 25 and 50 cents.

Regular 25 cent hose

15c or 2 for 25c

Regular 50c hose

25 cents

Ladies' Summer Underwear

--A new lot of Summer Underwear for women in vest and union suits. Specially priced for this week as follows:

Union Suits 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 75c, \$1

Vests 10c, 12 1-2c 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c

Special Showing of Hair Switches

--By all means see our big line of hair switches, in all colors, lengths and weights.

\$2.50, \$2.95, \$3.45, \$4.95 and \$7.50

R. & G. Corsets

--A new line of corsets in all sizes.

\$1.00 to \$5.00

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