

NEW RAILROAD INCITES DEVELOPMENT

RUSSIAN TROOPS LAND AT SALONIKA TO AID GREEKS

LAKE COUNTY SODA TO BE SHIPPED HERE

AMERICAN SODA PRODUCTS CO OFFICIALS HERE

Expected That 100 Tons of Soda Will Be Shipped Over Strahorn Railroad Through Klamath Falls Daily—It Is Said That Only New Railroad Would Have Ever Brought Development of Deposits.

H. L. Emerson, engineer of the American Soda Products company, estimates that they will have a total of one million tons of soda for shipment over the new Strahorn railroad, when this road is built to connect with Alkali Lake beyond Paisley. Mr. Emerson has been consulting with Mr. Strahorn for several days about the building of the road. He was accompanied here by John D. Spreckles, Jr., president, and F. L. Young, manager of the company.

Now that there is a prospect of railroad connection, the Soda company is planning on the extensive development of their property and it is asserted by their engineer that they will be able to ship 100 tons a day. This will probably all be shipped by Klamath Falls if construction of the road is begun from this end as now planned. It will also mean a vast expenditure of money in the development of the deposits.

Requested in a vast region, miles from civilization and settlement in Lake county, there is a dry lake bottom, known as Alkali Lake, around which there is not enough trees and scrubbery to cast shade or feed a jackrabbit. In this valley there is found a deposit whose value no man has been able to estimate.

It lies visible to the eye, and to a layman would appear but a vast layer of alkali. The earlier settlers in Lake county thought it alkali, and named the body of mud Alkali Lake.

Alkali Lake is about 65 miles north of Lakeview and about 45 miles north-east of Paisley. The hills around it are barren, but the deposit, it is said, has untold value when refined and brought to market. To bring the deposit to the seaboard is the plan on foot by the American Soda Products company of San Francisco, of which John D. Spreckles Jr. is president.

About fourteen years ago F. L. Young of Paisley went out to this deposit of so-called alkali. At first it did not look promising as a future hole in which to invest money and spend his time in experimentation, but shortly he got a few men together, and the Oregon Borax company was organized, the opinion of these men at the time being that the deposit was valuable for its borax.

Little of anything was done by the Oregon Borax company in development, and not until a short time ago was Mr. Young able to interest John D. Spreckles of San Francisco to the extent that he made a trip to Alkali Lake and looked it over for future development. Mr. Spreckles, it is said, did not display a great deal of enthusiasm in the project until he got some chemists to work, who, after elaborate experimentation, proclaimed it one of the most remarkable deposits anywhere to be found in the United States. It is not for its borax that the deposit is valuable, the chemists pronounced, but for its soda ash properties, a valuable constituent in the manufacture of soaps and paper, or any other product in which soda enters as a necessary factor.

The lake and adjoining potholes cover an area of approximately 5,700 acres. In the lake there are, it is estimated, approximately 10,000 potholes containing the soda ash, the diameters of which vary from 25 to 100 feet. Experiments have shown that as soon as the soda ash is removed from the potholes they fill again with the same substance of equal purity, which fact leads the experts to believe that the supply is inexhaustible. The value of this product when refined varies upwards to \$70 per ton. Its value in dollars cannot, say experts, be estimated.

The company is already operating on a small scale, and the product is being hauled to Bend and Lakeview by trucks for shipment.

Sues for Motorcycle.
Sue to gain return of a motorcycle, or \$495, its alleged value, was filed in circuit court this morning by Albert Mamado against Ray Tatlow and Glen Johnson, who operate jitneys. W. H. A. Renner is attorney for Mamado. It is alleged in the complaint that the defendants took the motorcycle on July 22d.

Nickerson Denies That He Tolerates Gambling

Editor Herald:
In your issue of the Evening Herald of August 18, 1916, I note an article therein where you state that one Glendon visited my place and has lost about \$1,500.

I wish to state to you and to the public nothing of the kind is true, that there is no gambling or poker playing permitted in my establishment, and it is absurd to think that Glendon ever saw \$1,500, to say nothing about losing it in the short time that I have been in your city.

I further wish to state that I am not responsible for the acts of all the bandits that are in Klamath Falls or anywhere else in the world, and I am

not responsible in any way for the holdup that took place, and I desire it distinctly understood that my cleaning establishment is no gambling joint, and there is no one on earth, except an outlaw, will get on the stand and swear they ever gambled in there.

The article as a whole is a fabrication wherein it refers to me or my place of business in any other manner than a respectable place of business, and as to me I am a law-abiding American citizen, and my record in the past will bear your inspection, and I can refer you to men of the highest standing who will vouch for me and for my character and my integrity. Yours very respectfully,
ELI NICKERSON.

Railroad Men Who Conferred With President Wilson



Upper photo, railway managers, representing 225 systems—From left to right: J. G. Walker, secretary of the general conference of managers; W. C. London, vice president S. A. L.; H. W. McMaster, general manager Wheeling & Lake Erie, top row; P. E. Crowley, assistant vice president N. Y. C., middle row; S. E. Cotter, general manager Wabash; N. D. Maher, vice president N. & W.; P. S. Allbright, Atlantic Coast Line, middle row; L. W. Baldwin, general manager Central of Georgia, top row; Elisha Lee, assistant general manager Pennsylvania, bottom row; A. M. Schoyer, resident vice president Pennsylvania, face partly hidden by hat; E. W. Grice, general superintendent of transportation C. & O.; A. S. Greig, assistant to receiver St. Louis & San Francisco, top row; C. L. Bardo, general manager N. Y., N. H. & H., in light suit; A. J. Stone, vice president Erie; E. H. Coapman, vice president

Southern Railway; James Russell, general manager Denver & Rio Grande; C. H. Ewing, general manager Philadelphia & Reading; G. H. Emerson, general manager Great Northern; G. S. Wade, Sunset Central lines, and C. K. Kouns, general manager Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe.

Lower photo, representatives of Railway brotherhoods—From left to right: C. M. Rodgers, Mr. Lewis, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood

SOLDIERS OF SIX ALLIES FIGHTING TOGETHER

Greeks and Bulgarians Battle, Former Losing Five Towns—Greek Reserves Are Called Out—Bulgarians and Germans Defeat British and French, Taking French and Serbian Positions of Importance.

ATHENS, Aug. 22.—To join in the Balkan offensive against the central powers and their ally, Bulgaria, Russian troops landed at Salonika this morning. It is believed that even this small force will thoroughly demonstrate the unity of the allies, not only between England, Russia and France, but including the smaller powers.

Italian troops also are disembarking at Salonika to assist Serbia. For the first time since the war opened soldiers of the six allied nations are fighting side by side.

United Press Service
LONDON, Aug. 22.—A dispatch from Athens says the Bulgarians and Greeks have been fighting in the vicinity of Serres since yesterday.

A number of Greeks have been killed and the commanders have issued summons for the reserves.

The allies are attacking the Bulgarians along the entire front with much vigor. Montenegrin forces are reinforcing the Serbs in fighting the Bulgarian left wing.

It is believed that the Bulgarian right wing has entered Kavala.

United Press Service
BERLIN, Aug. 22.—A dispatch from Sofia announces that the Bulgarians have captured five Greek towns. They have repulsed the English and French on the right bank of the Struma, have crossed the river, and are advancing between the Struma and the Mesta.

Yesterday the Bulgarians occupied Zuezdabolithea and Bresniza.

The Bulgarians and Germans have defeated both wings of the allied army in the Balkans, capturing French and Serbian positions.

United Press Service
LONDON, Aug. 22.—The British have advanced on a half mile front in the western theater of the war, taking a highway junction northwest of Pozieres.

The British have extended their gains to within 1,000 yards of Thiépval.

United Press Service
PARIS, Aug. 22.—The French have advanced on both sides of the Somme, progressing toward Clerly. Trenches southwest of Estress and east of Soyecourt have been captured.

MEXICAN REVOLT BELIEVED NEAR

"LEGALISTAS" IS NAME TO BE BORNE BY NEW PARTY, WHICH SEEKS UNITY OF ALL FACTIONS OF MEXICO

United Press Service
EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 22.—Manuel Bonilla, minister of interior under former President Francisco Madero, announced today that efforts are being made throughout Mexico to unite all factions of the country into one party, to be known as "Legalistas."

It is the plan of the movement to overthrow the Carranza government. United States secret service men are watching closely the actions of leaders of the movement now living in this country.

JOHNSON UNABLE TO MEET HUGHES

United Press Service
SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—Governor Hiram Johnson, republican candidate for United States senator and candidate for vice president on the progressive ticket in 1912, will not meet Charles E. Hughes in Sacramento tonight.

Governor Johnson has arranged to address a meeting in Hollywood this evening. The republican county chairman will preside at the meeting.

Railroad Presidents Appeal to Directors on Strike Question

Few of Presidents Say Eight Hour Day Acceptable if Federal Control of Railroads is Substituted for State Regulation.

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—Following an all night session in which the presidents of the railroads of the country could reach no decision, the presidents this morning announced that they would put the strike question up to the directors of the various roads. The boards of directors have been telegraphed this fact.

HEARING ALLEGED GAMBLERS POSTPONED BY STIPULATION

Because it was necessary for District Attorney Irwin to be away from Klamath Falls for several days, the preliminary hearing of Eli Nickerson and several others on a charge of gambling was postponed until August 31st by Justice of the Peace E. W. Gowen this afternoon.

Here to Get Freight.
George Elliott left this morning for Bly with a load of freight for Bly merchants.

ington tonight and tomorrow it is expected that the final result will be announced by the presidents.

The committee of the railroad presidents is still conferring. Some of the committee favor acceptance of an eight hour day with concessions to the railroads, including a plan to prevent future strikes by an investigating committee, placing of the railroads under federal control, and eliminating state regulation.

It is generally believed that willingness of the Interstate Commerce Commission to grant rate increases if an eight hour day is declared has removed one of the principal objections to such a day. The feeling in the East is that the railroads eventually will yield.

President Wilson is ready to meet the presidents and receive the reports from the many boards of directors. He has indicated that he has no other than his original proposal for settlement of the controversy.

Telegrams from business firms all over the country, urging the railroads to stand pat for arbitration continue to pour into Washington.

1220 Shipments Liquor Are Received This Year

Since January 1, 1916, there has been received in Klamath county 1,220 consignments of intoxicating liquor, according to the records of County Clerk DeLap. The record is made up from reports by Wells Fargo & Co. and the Southern Pacific company.

Wells Fargo & Co. has received 1,100 consignments at Klamath Falls and 21 consignments at Midland. The Southern Pacific has brought in 96 different shipments of liquor to Klamath Falls and three shipments to Midland.

Besides the above consignments, drug companies of Klamath county have shipped in 1,088 consignments of ethyl alcohol for prescription and scientific purposes since Oregon went dry. Underwood's pharmacy leads with 592 shipments, Whitman Drug company is second, with 250, Star Drug company, 200; Dr. Patterson, Merrill, 27, and Dr. Johnson of Bonanza, 19.