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LOANING POSTAL MONEY.

The sincerity and good intent of Postmaster Myers of Portland cannot be questioned, when he advises the post-office department at Washington to loan money in the postal savings banks to farmers with which to improve their farms.

That the money could be loaned at four or five per cent, there is little doubt, but how is the government going to prevent speculation after the money once leaves its hands? Speculation is just as natural as life. It is born in the breast of every human—in fact daily life is more or less of a speculation.

It would seem necessary, in order to follow Postmaster Myers' idea, for the government to superintend the investment of the money thus loaned and this would entail endless work and worry.

THE CROP OF CANDIDATES.

There seems to be plenty of stalwart sons in Oregon willing to serve the state as governor to succeed Oswald West. Each party has a waiting list that is handsome to look upon and composed of men some of whom really have ability.

Who Caught the Fish? La Grande, Aug. 26.—(To the Editor): In the La Grande Evening Observer of August 25th there appeared an article signed L. P., relative to the fish caught by myself and companion

on August 11th, as stated in the La Grande Evening Observer of August 12th. While L. P. seems to know more about the fish than myself, he is slightly in error in regard to the weight and length of the fish in question, which has, in his imagination, grown some three inches in length and two ounces in weight in the two weeks past since the catching and it is more than likely due to the slow process of L. P.'s turning this over in his mind.

Yours for fish, CLINT VAN FLEET.

MINISTERS CONGREGATE.

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graduates in high school building. Wednesday, August 27. 9:00 a. m.—Devotions, Bishop Nathalia Lucock, Helena, Mont. 9:30 a. m.—Business session. 1:45 p. m.—Adjournment. 2:30 p. m.—Woman's Home Missionary society. Address, Dr. G. W. Barnes, Boise. 8:00 p. m.—Song service, H. E. Bush, Salmon City. Anniversary Home Mission and the Church Extension society. Address Dr. Robert Forbes, Philadelphia.

Thursday, August 28. 9:00 a. m.—Devotion, Bishop Lucock. 9:30—Business session. 11:45 a. m.—Adjournment. 2:30 p. m.—Conference Missionary sermon, R. L. L. Barnstable, Blockfoot. 8:00 p. m.—Song service, C. H. Baldwin, Oregon City. Anniversary Board Foreign missions.

Friday, August 29. 9:00 a. m.—Devotions, Bishop Lucock. 9:30 a. m.—Business Session. 11:45 a. m.—Adjournment. 2:30 p. m.—Anniversary Woman's Foreign Missionary society. 4:00 p. m.—Meeting of Conference Brotherhood. 8:00 p. m.—Social service. Address—O. P. Christian, superintendent Children's Home, Boise. Address—H. L. Hamilton, of Pocatello. Address—G. W. Barnes.

Saturday, August 30. 9:00 a. m.—Devotions, Bishop Lucock. 9:30 a. m.—Business session. 11:45 a. m.—Adjournment. 8:00 p. m.—College platform meeting, Hon. G. W. Podgham, chairman, Salmon City. Address—Dr. Fletcher Homan, Salem, Ore. Address—Dr. W. H. Martin, Boise, Idaho. Address—Dr. P. W. Powers, Blackfoot, Idaho. Address—Ex-Governor Gooding, of Gooding, Idaho.

Sunday, August 31. 9:30 a. m.—Love feast, led by J. W. Vandusen, Boise. 11:00 a. m.—Sermon, by Bishop Lucock. Homer E. Cullison, of Weiser, in

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State News Brevities

Farm Brings \$27,720.

Brownsville, Ore., Aug. 25.—Oren Stratton and R. W. Tripp of this city, have disposed of their 308 acre tract of land about four miles north of Harrisburg on the Oregon Electric, to Mr. Hogue of Salem, for the cash consideration of \$27,720. Mr. Hogue will take possession of the property at once. Mr. Stratton returned home on August 19 from Colorado, where with Mr. Tripp he purchased 1840 acres of land in which Mr. Hogue was interested. The land is situated about 90 miles from Pueblo and not far from the famous Hocky Ford cantaloupe district. It is the intention of Messrs. Tripp and Stratton to hold the land until the adjacent country is better settled and then to divide the tract into farms of about a quarter section each, before selling it. Mr. Stratton is a farmer living near Brownsville and Mr. Tripp is president of the Brownsville Real Estate company, through which the two deals were made. Mr. Tripp and family proceeded east for a two months' visit with relatives before coming home.

Methodists Are to Meet.

Coquille, Ore., Aug. 25.—The annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South will convene in this city on Wednesday. The Rev. H. M. Law, of Corvallis, will deliver the opening address, after which Bishop R. G. Waterhouse, of Los Angeles, will organize the conference. Business sessions will be held every afternoon and evening except Friday afternoon when the Commercial club will entertain the visitors with a watermelon feast at the city park. Each afternoon there will be a sermon by some of the ministers. Lay and clerical delegates will be elected to go to the general conference at Oklahoma City in May. On Sunday night preachers will be stationed for the ensuing year.

David Powell Dead.

Huntington, Aug. 25.—David Powell died Saturday night at the Huntington hospital from the gunshot wound inflicted by his uncle, Lawrence Cartwright. Hope was entertained until the last moment that Powell would be able to beat the infection that developed, but the end came with his father and mother present. The body was taken to Rye valley yesterday and buried where the fam-

Baptist church, high school auditorium. C. E. Deal, of Portland in Christian church. W. A. James, of Wallowa, Presbyterian church. 2:30 p. m.—Ordination service. 4:00 p. m.—Memorial services. 7:00 p. m.—Epworth League, led by G. G. Haley, of Boise. 8:00 p. m.—Anniversary Sunday board.

Work on Siletz Line Begun.

Independence, Ore., Aug. 25.—Dick Arselanian has taken a contract from the Valley & Siletz railway to supply 150 men for construction work on the road from this city to the Siletz basin. The contracts have been awarded for part of the road and work begun Wednesday. The company mill at Hoskins, at the head of King's valley, will begin in a few days to saw ties and necessary timbers for bridges.

MEXICO ASPECT IS ODD.

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to Vera Cruz en route home last evening when the request for the delay arrived. It is known that President Wilson intended baring the Mexican situation completely and it is believed that Huerta feared the effect that the message would have on the United States, and Europe by turning the world's sympathy against him. The president is all smiles and the satisfaction he feels over the latest developments in Mexico is plainly shown. He told callers that he hoped it would be unnecessary to deliver his message.

Caminetti Denied Change.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—Drew Caminetti, who was indicted under the Mann act for taking Lola Norris from Sacramento to Reno for immoral purposes, suffered a set back at the very outset of his trial when Judge Van Fleet denied him the change of venue to Sacramento. Following the presentation of the plea an examination of the talesmen proceeded. It is believed that the task of filling the jury box will be tedious on account of the publicity given the trial and the calling of a new panel is probable. Little interest is manifested in the trial, and not a single woman was in the court room, even Diggs being absent.

A. W. Pearle Here.

To attend the shoulder-rub reception at the Commercial club this evening A. W. Pearle, an O. W. official arrived today from Portland.

ly had laid its dead for many years. He leaves a wife besides his own immediate family. His wife is less than 15 years old and has been married a year.

Young Men Have Accident.

Scio, Ore., Aug. 25.—Forest Woodmanse and Charlie Balachweid met with an accident Monday evening when they were out for a motorcycle ride. They were passing over a rough piece of road, which made Charlie, who sat in the back to tilt over to one side, thus throwing the driver out of balance and resulting in both tumbling off on the ground. Charlie escaped without getting hurt but Forest was quite badly shaken up besides getting his knee out of joint.

Fall From Launch Fatal.

Newport, Ore., Aug. 25.—Bart McKinney, aged 36, of Waldport, was drowned at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon by falling from the launch Blue Bell, of which he had charge.

With a party, he was returning across Alsea bay from Bayview, where there had been a dance. Something obstructed the steering gear, and, going back to investigate, he fell overboard, and the launch proceeded without him. His body was recovered. McKinney was reared on Alsea bay. A wife and three children, residing on a homestead on Beaver creek, survive.

Farmer Has Ribs Broken.

Scio, Ore., Aug. 25.—Mr. Matt Smith who lives near Crabtree, is suffering with two broken ribs and a bad-

ly bruised body as a result of a runaway last Tuesday evening. Mr. Smith was taking a load of grain to the thresher when the horses became frightened. They ran a distance with him when they upturned the wagon and threw Mr. Smith on the barbed wire fence. Mr. Smith is getting along well.

Seaside to Have Cleanup.

Seaside, Ore., Aug. 25.—Another clean-up day is being arranged for next Saturday. It will be managed by the members of the Seaside Civic Improvement club. Results of the spring campaign were particularly conspicuous as no general cleaning had been done in the city since the fire which swept Seaside in 1912.

Last spring contributions of labor and the use of wagons were numerous, as many people had leisure but now that the summer season is at its height and nearly every resident is busy, money will be collected to hire the necessary wagons. A dumping place has been secured and placards all through the city announcing the free haulage of all refuse for one day.

Hop Harvest is Nearing.

Buna Vista, Ore., Aug. 25.—Hop picking in the Luckiamute valley in this section and in the Willamette and Rickerall districts will begin next Monday, September 1. The hops are ripening quickly and the vines are clean. It is not certain yet whether pickers can be obtained to pick in the yards and get the crop ready for drying before the destructive fall rains come.

The usual price of 50 cents a box will be paid and the same heavy crop is evident this year.

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