

LINDLEY GIVES BASIN HISTORY

Hearings on Columbia Irrigation Project Open in Capitol City

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (AP)—A history of the Columbia basin irrigation project in the state of Washington was given the senate committee today by Harvey Lindley, president of the Columbia basin irrigation league, when the hearings on the project were begun.

Senators Jones, Coolidge, and Hill, democrats, of Washington, who are sponsoring the project in the senate, first explained to the committee that the basin league seeks federal adoption of the project and authorization for necessary appropriations from time to time as may be needed in the undertaking. No specific amount of money has been fixed.

"We feel that investigation and work so far done on the project justify us in asking that it be made a federal project," Senator Hill said. "We seek authorization for necessary appropriations now for the entire project so that it may not be necessary to seek additional funds at a later date."

\$512,000 Already Spent
Mr. Lindley stated that during the last eight years the Columbia basin irrigation league had expended to prove the feasibility of the project and had been responsible for the expenditure of \$512,000 in preliminary studies and surveys.

To offset any opinion that creation of new land in the development would serve to injure farmers of present cultivated lands in the adjoining areas, Mr. Lindley quoted Dr. Elwood Mead of the reclamation bureau to show that development and bringing into production in the last 25 years of a total of 1,344,000 acres by his bureau did not affect the prosperity of farmers on lands operated under natural rainfall conditions.

On the contrary, it was asserted, the commencement of reclamation is of the opinion that products from new lands come on the market opportunistically.

MEDICAL SPRINGS PERSONALS

MEDICAL SPRINGS (Special)—Much of the snow has melted here, but it freezes every night.

Mrs. Kenneth Vanorder has returned to her home here from the hospital where she underwent an operation.

Mr. Cook left recently for Portland. He sold all of his property here and plans to remain in Portland.

The veterinary was here last week to look at the cattle. Three yearlings were said to have diptheria. Bob Wankler and his men vaccinated several head of cattle for blackleg Monday.

A dance was given by the M. I. A. here Saturday night. A. J. Kennedy has purchased a new drag saw and has been sawing wood for the past week.

Miss Mary Vanorder is staying with her brother and sister-in-law here.

Lon Wirth sold a load of apples to the Pandion store last week. The road is now gravelled from the creek crumler to the E. E. Kennedy place.

Elmer Kenneth and Bob Wankler have been hauling sawdust from the Ed. Bergman place and putting up ice.

Mrs. Peters and son visited here Sunday with her sister.

The following cabbage recipe is recommended: Grate a baking dish and make a layer of cabbage, alternated with a layer of pared and sliced apple sprinkled with sugar, salt, and dots of butter. Repeat until 2 quarts of shredded cabbage have been used.

1 quart of apples, 2 to 4 tablespoons of butter, 1 teaspoon salt and 2 teaspoons sugar. Spread 3 cups of cuttered bread crumbs on top. Cover and bake until the cabbage and apples are tender. Remove the top and brown the crumbs. Serve in the baking dish.

Spiced hot water is a good beverage to offer patients in a cold winter evening. Use a fourth of a cup of sugar to one quart of sweet water, one-eighth of a teaspoon of salt, eight pieces of stick cinnamon, 12 whole cloves, and a fourth of a teaspoon of powdered ginger. Bring to the boiling point and let stand for several hours. Strain and sweeten. The whole spice is better serving.

SUGAR FROM AIR?
FRANKFORT ON MAIN, Ger.—German scientists hope to make sugar out of air. Experiments in a syndicate's laboratory are described as progressing satisfactorily.

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Lindbergh has set an aviation record, but Buddy Whitcomb, 4-year-old San Diego, Calif., boy, has been up in the air half his life. Buddy took his first flight more than two years ago, and now every chance he gets he takes a ride with some aviator friend. He is known to nearly all the aviators flying around San Diego.



AFTER A TOUR in Europe, Glen Hunter, popular American actor, has returned to prepare for his part in a new play.

Texans Anticipate Shortage of Beef

SAN ANGELO, Tex. (AP)—High prices for cattle encouraged such heavy marketing in 1927 that Texas ranchmen estimate their breeding herds have been reduced 25 per cent. Consequently, they say, an even greater shortage of beef may be expected next year.

Prices are expected to remain favorable for three or four years, for statisticians deem the supply of cattle cannot be increased to normal before that time. West Texas, the chief cattle raising area of the United States, will start the grazing season next spring with one-third less cattle than it had 10 years ago, ranchmen say. The number of animals shipped north and east last fall was 20 per cent larger than in the fall of 1926.

Cattle were sold for eight cents a pound on early contracts last spring, but commanded a price of 12½ cents when they were ready for market. Many of the contracts for delivery called for 100 calves, more or less. For the first time in many seasons, ranchmen emphasized the "or less" provision of the sale agreements.

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EXPERTS STUDY SLAYER OF GIRL

Hickman Comes Under Scrutiny of Alienists—Plays a Dual Part

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 11 (AP)—William Edward Hickman, confessed and indicted slayer of little Marian Parker, has demonstrated that he intends to maintain a dual character so far as alienists are concerned.

"The fact of the kidnapping and slaying case yesterday ignored three prosecution alienists who sought to question him at the county jail."

A few hours later he was all smiles when visited by Dr. J. M. Pettis, Sioux City, Iowa, physician, the first of the probable expert witnesses on the insanity defense.

On his return to his cell he told others he would not permit himself to be examined by any state's specialists unless his attorney and his own psychiatrist were present.

Spinal Fluid Test
Dr. Pettis said he gave this youth a complete medical examination including a test of the spinal fluid, sometimes said to be a factor in insanity.

Just before the doctor's arrival Hickman had been reading a letter purporting to come from an "Andrew Cramer" of New York who assumed, in the massive (the entire blame for the slaying of the Los Angeles school girl).

"That guy's easier than I am," was his smiling comment.

Hickman's first confession has shattered the blame for the killing on an "Andrew Cramer" whom he later admitted was a figment of his imagination.

Sheriff's officers placed little stock in testimony given by a girl witness in a murder trial yesterday indicating that Hickman might have been involved in another drugstore holdup killing.

The witness in the trial of three men accused of murdering A. V. Miles, the druggist, said Miles' slayer looked more like Hickman than one of the three defendants.

Officers pointed out, however, that the Miles slaying was on Nov. 1, and they were certain that Hickman was in the Midwest at that time.

A woman told us the other day she would get a divorce only she hasn't much use for divorce or dolls.

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PERRY PERSONALS

PERRY (Special)—Mrs. Clarence Stephenson spent Friday with Mrs. Harry Wilson who is ill.

Fred Boheman, of La Grande, was a Perry visitor last week. Onal and William Heikel, who are attending high school in La Grande spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Beckel, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Welmer and daughter, Eva, of Five Points, were recent La Grande visitors. Emory Ferguson, of Hilgard, recently visited relatives here.

Paul Ferguson and family, formerly of Perry, have moved to Hilgard.

Mrs. Thomas Hoskins, of Fox Hill, recently visited at the Guy Tripp home here.

Mrs. C. C. Johansen and sons, Herman and Harry, made a trip to La Grande last week.

Al Fisher and family were shopping in La Grande recently.

Horace J. Nelson recently made a trip to London.

Mrs. Marie Stephenson and Mrs. Jessie Wilson were shopping in La Grande the first of the week.

Jacob Murray made a trip to La Grande last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baum were visiting relatives and friends in La Grande recently.

The Girls' Sewing club met at the schoolhouse Friday afternoon with their leader, Mrs. Clarence Stephenson.

The Boys' Camp Cookery club met with their leader, Mrs. Ade Stephenson Friday evening at her home here, when recipes were studied and tried.

Mrs. Mary B. Kall stopped in La Grande Tuesday to have some dental work done.

Miss Neva Mathison, who is suffering from heart trouble, is out of school.

E. L. La Crane called at the Pine Cone Milling station last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hagdon were shopping in La Grande Saturday.

Herbert Myers and family made a trip to La Grande last week.

Harry Johnson and Harold Hansen were in La Grande Saturday afternoon.

The Loran Harris family visited in La Grande recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Mathison made a trip to town the first of the week.

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