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TODAY'S WEATHER PREDICTION.

Clear today and tomorrow. Warmer.

A rare and salubrious climate—soil of remarkable fertility—beautiful scenery—mountains stored with coal, copper and gold—extensive forests—streams stocked with speckled beauties—game in abundance—a contented, progressive people—such is the Rogue River Valley.

Average mean temperature.....55 degrees

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THE SAME OLD STORY.

John W. Dennis, the Newtown apple king of England, who has been visiting Medford and the Rogue River valley, goes away with the same impression of the country that nearly every expert fruit man takes—that it is the best fruit country on earth.

Mr. Dennis knows apples—He deals in them. He knows what the English want in the line of fruit, and he has made a fortune because he fills the demand.

“Rogue River fruit is superior to any other that reaches England from the entire globe,” states Mr. Dennis. “It commands highest prices because of its superior quality. It reaches England in splendid condition.”

Mr. Dennis also says, what every other fruit man has said, that the valley needs better organization among fruit growers to secure uniformity in pack, and a precooling station, so that our pears may be shipped to England and European markets. With the precooling station will come a new era of profits for the pear grower and there is no reason why it should not come at once.

TO DESTROY STATEMENT NO. 1.

To destroy the direct primary law, to abolish Statement No. 1, to restore the political convention and the rule of the boss, is the avowed object of the little group of Portland politicians who have brought forth the assembly plan.

In brief, the scheme is to call republican “assemblies” in the various counties, districts and the state, which will nominate a ticket for submission to the people. The “assembly” is the old convention under another name, except that it has not the power to nominate. No candidate who believes in Statement One or who endorses it will be named by any “assembly,” and should such a candidate defeat the “assembly’s” choice for the nomination, the “assembly” supporters will defeat him by voting for a democrat.

A majority of the republican politicians are said to have agreed to this plan, and will make a supreme effort to get rid of the Statement once and for all. If it is necessary to elect democrats to defeat primary supporters, democrats will be elected, under the program.

In other words, the tail is making another effort to wag the dog. Oregon politicians hold the record for stupidity. Even experience teaches them naught. They are about to experience another lesson, for the rank and file has no intention of abdicating their rule.

IMPORTER SAYS VALLEY LEADS ALL OTHERS

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offices at Lester, in the heart of the manufacturing district of England. The system for distribution which has been built up is elaborate and they do much the largest business of any similar firm in England.

Mr. Dennis was born near Boston, Lincolnshire, in 1865, and is the eldest son of William Dennis, J. P. In his 44 years he has already gone far on the high road to success and distinction. A Knight of the Red Eagle of Germany, and an officer of the Legion of Honour of France, he is a director of W. Dennis & Sons, Ltd., of the Dennis Estate, Ltd., and of other land companies. He is a member of the tariff commission founded by Joseph Chamberlain in 1904, chairman of the Lincolnshire agricultural railway rates committee and a member of the council of the central chamber of agriculture, and has on several occasions been asked to contest a seat for parliament.

Mr. Dennis was educated at King's grammar school, and at King's college, London. At the age of 18 he entered the home civil service, but

after eight years of it, found that career too dull and dry, so resigned, and founded the Covent Garden branch of his father's firm, W. Dennis & Sons, a firm owning 5000 acres and farming about 7000 acres in the rich Fen district of South Lincolnshire.

The principal article produced by the Dennis firm is the potato, of which they are the largest growers in the United Kingdom and probably the largest dealers in Europe. The export of potatoes for both table and seeding purposes to all parts of the world, and notably to the United States and even to Canada, forms no small item of their business. The growing of corn and the breeding, rearing and exporting of cattle of the Lincoln red shorthorn type, of which class they possess a fine strain, form another item; whilst the handling of home grown fruit and vegetables and the importation and sale of fruit of every kind from all parts of the world and especially from Canada and the United States constitutes a not inconsiderable portion of their business in London. It is obvious, therefore, that John W. Dennis has a great stake in this country, and that on subjects of land and agriculture, and everything pertaining thereto, he is a recognized authority.

PINCHOT-BALLINGER FIGHT TO SEATTLE

Northwest Conservation Congress Meets Next Week in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Aug. 21.—Delegates from Utah, Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana and Colorado now in this city to attend the first national conservation congress, which will be held here August 26, 27 and 28, say that they intend to take up the Ballinger-Pinchot fight started at the sessions of the national irrigation congress in Spokane and thence the entire matter out in this—the home city of Secretary Richard A. Ballinger.

Although officers of the Washington Conservation association, under whose auspices the conservation congress will be held, will make no statements, it is understood that they are trying hard to prevent a repetition of the Spokane fight. It is the general opinion that a clash between the followers of Gifford Pinchot and R. A. Ballinger is inevitable, and that any session in which both sides endeavor to put the congress on record as for or against either the Ballinger or Pinchot policy is bound to be a stormy one.

In November last year when the state conservation convention took place here, State Land Commissioner E. W. Ross of this state and E. T. Allen of Portland, government forest supervisor, clashed bitterly over the disposition of state lands in forest reserves, and the same forces that took sides on the smaller controversy and who lined up for and against the Roosevelt policy of conservation as exemplified by Mr. Pinchot, are planning a fight in the national gathering, saying that at this month's congress interstate forces will be allied but with the same principles behind them as was the case in the state gathering. So whether the fight will be participated in by outside delegates or by delegates from within the Pacific northwest territory, the result will be the same—a fight for the survival of the Roosevelt policy or for the Ballinger policy, which by some is said to have the tacit backing of President Taft.

Plans are being made here to receive at least 2500 delegates to the conservation congress. A tentative list of speakers has been prepared, among whom are the following:

Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, Joseph N. Teal, chairman of the Oregon state conservation commission; W. K. Kavanaugh and E. F. Saunders of St. Louis; Senator Dixon of Montana; ex-Governor George C. Pardee of California; George H. Maxwell of Chicago; Hon. James R. Garfield of Ohio; F. H. Newell, chief of the United States reclamation service; Hon. Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forest service; James Arbuckle, manager of the Latin-American and Foreign Trades association, St. Louis, Dr. J. A. Holmes, Washington, D. C.; W. J. McGee, chairman of the inland waterways commission; A. B. Farquhar, personal representative of Governor Stuart, and many other equally representative men.

That the holding of the congress will mark the organization of a national conservation association is the confident belief of men in the northwest who have carefully followed the movement since its inauguration.

FIRE WIPES OUT IDAHO TOWN

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 21.—The town of Plumber on the St. Joe river in Idaho was annihilated this morning by fire, which is still raging this afternoon, fanned by a high south wind. No trace has been found of young Harriman and his party, although they are believed to be in the immediate vicinity of the fire. All hands in the Blackwell lumber camp are here fighting to prevent being surrounded. Appeals for help from Coeur d'Alene have been received here. A million dollars' damage has been done so far. Scores of men are exhausted by fighting the flames all night and today.

POWER COMPANIES WANT CLEAR LAKE

W. P. Hammon and Great Western After It for Power Purposes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 21.—Now it is stated that W. P. Hammon, the dredge mining king, who recently began investing in electrical enterprises, is now in competition with Edwin F. Hawley, of the Great Western Power company for possession of the holdings of the Central Counties Power company on Clear lake, Lake county. Hammon is said to be holding the negotiations in abeyance until he can get free of some of the details of his recently acquired Tahoe project.

It is stated that in order to successfully compete with the Great Western Power company of Oroville and the Pacific Gas and Electric company, further west, it will be almost imperative for the Hammon interests to occupy the strategic position afforded by the Clear Lake project.

No Interests in the West.

It has been definitely denied that the Ontario Power company has any intention of taking any interest in any western projects, and it is very well known that Hawley is much concerned over the Clear Lake project, although up to the present time neither he nor his associates have taken any definite steps to secure control. The entrance of Hammon to the field would indicate that sooner or later there will be a conflict between the Great Western and himself for control.

The immensity of the Clear Lake project has put it beyond the reach of any but the foremost financial interests of the country, engineers having estimated that approximately \$10,000,000 will have to be spent to carry it to a successful conclusion.

The ability of Hawley, through his Harriman and Gould connections, to furnish the necessary capital has never been doubted, and the facility with which Hammon finally closed the deal involving \$7,000,000, for the purchase of the Tahoe and other rights during the last month placed him on an equal footing.

The situation makes it apparent that all rumors of immediate commencement of operations by any interests on the Clear Lake project are without foundation, but that ultimate development of the project which will mean much to central California is assured.

E. P. Vandercok, general manager of the Central Counties Power company, admits that several large interests are in touch with the enterprise, but declines to go into details.

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BOND ISSUE VOTED FOR JACKSONVILLE WATER

JACKSONVILLE, Or., Aug. 21.—The question of issuing bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for the purpose of constructing a system of water works at Jacksonville was submitted to the people at a special election Tuesday. Only 102 votes were polled, 91 for the bonds and 11 against.

Mayor Shaw has issued a proclamation declaring the ordinance a part of the city's law, and as it carries an emergency clause, goes into immediate effect.

The council held a meeting the same night to consider proposals for the completion of the city well. As there was but one bid submitted, the matter was laid over until the next meeting.



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