

TONGUE'S PLAN "NO"
Condemns Fight on Improvement of Lower Columbia.

WRITES A LETTER ON SUBJECT

Baker City Chamber of Commerce Wants Improvement of River to Proceed With Same Vigor at All Points.

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STATE WINS BIG SUIT
WASHINGTON SUPREME COURT PASSES ON TIDE LAND LAW.

Boom Companies Must Acquire or Lease Tracts to Use Them—Decision Is Far-Reaching.

OLYMPIA, March 12.—A tide land case of considerable importance to the state was decided by the Supreme Court today, when it affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of the Samish Boom Company, appellant, vs. S. A. Calvert, as Commissioner of Public Lands, respondent. The point involved is an interpretation of the laws of 1890 and 1895, relative to boom companies. The appellant alleged that by filing in the office of the Secretary of State, within 30 days after its articles of incorporation were filed, a "map of location" of the shore line proposed to be used for booming purposes, the tide lands belonging to the state in front of such shore line, or at least the right to use and improve them, passed to such corporation. The Supreme

girl, whom he had bought from her father, the price paid being one Navajo blanket, one Winchester rifle and \$5. The girl, when thus sold, was under 14. The affidavit says it was also clearly shown that he had debauched other girls.

Several pages of the document are filled with the verbatim testimony of Indian girls at boarding schools, revealing gross immoralities between themselves and Indian boys.

Inspector McConnell declares there is frightful mortality in the Indian schools. "From Colville agency, in 1893," said the Inspector, "26 pupils were sent away to a 'training school,' 12 boys and 14 girls, 21 of whom died either at school or came home to die. Four girls and one boy only were living in 1900, seven years after they went to school. Out of a lot of 21 sent from the Spokane reserve, 16 died and were buried at the school. A. M. Anderson, agent at the Colville Indian agency, will confirm this statement, as I got the data in his office."

ATTEMPT AT JAIL DELIVERY. Two Masked Men Enter Sheriff's Office at Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 12.—A daring effort to release prisoners from the County Jail was made Tuesday night by two armed men wearing masks. Their efforts were frustrated by a prisoner, who heard

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SALEM

SALEM, March 11.—The old wooden building now standing on the east side of Liberty street, just south of State street, was the first building erected in Salem as a Methodist Episcopal Church. It was built in 1812-13 by A. W. Ferguson, at a cost of \$5000. The building was never worth that amount, the difference since the present structure was built upon the site of the present stately brick edifice which is the home of the First M. E. Church. The pews and pulpit of the old church were constructed by Jonathan O'Donald, now Justice of the Peace in this city. When the present church was built, in 1878, the old building was moved across the street, and was later moved to the present site. It is now owned by Fred Hunt, and is occupied by a steam laundry. After hours of the old church, says the pastor, David Leslie, who was a junior in the old church in 1858, says that the building as it now stands presents practically the same general appearance that it did 50 years ago, except that it stood on a stone foundation, had a small bell, and had no small door at the left of the front.

The fine edifice which now occupies the original site of the old Methodist church was built at a cost of \$5,000. It is of brick, and is beautiful in design and finish. The main sanctuary on the second floor has a seating capacity of 1000 persons, while the assembly-room below will seat 700 persons. The congregation determined to build the new church in 1878, and the work began the next year. Owing to financial difficulties the church was several years in building.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church of this city is the oldest organization of that denomination in this state. It was formed in 1811, with 15 members, and Rev. David Leslie was its first pastor. The original members were James Lee and wife, L. H. Hudson and wife, H. Campbell and wife, James Olney and wife, Joseph Holman and wife, Gustavus Hines and wife, and Wesley Hanchutt. Prior to the completion of the old church, in 1852, church services were conducted by the chapel of the Oregon Institute, the pioneer school, which later became Willamette University. The pastor at the time the old building was erected was Rev. A. F. Walker, who was also the leader in the erection of the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Oregon, still standing at Oregon City.

Court declares that there is no method other than purchasing or leasing by which a boom company can acquire use of or interest in such tide lands. It is stated in the Land Office that the boom companies owned or nearly every river in the state large enough for running logs have been filed under the interpretation of the law contained for by the appellants in the case under consideration. These boom companies have heretofore been recognized, and applications to purchase such tide lands denied. It was feared that title to immense tracts of tide lands passed to the state to boom companies without remuneration to the state, but the decision today upholds the state's title to the lands, and they may be sold at public auction on application.

FIRE AT WASHINGTON MINE

\$15,000 Worth of New Machinery Lately Installed Destroyed. CONCONULLY, March 12, via Paterson, Wash.—Fire at the Mineral Hill mine, 1 1/2 miles from here, this morning destroyed property valued at \$20,000. Of this amount \$15,000 is on new machinery lately installed. The remainder on the buildings. The Mineral Hill mine is owned by Connecticut capitalists. Dr. Jacob May, of Bridgeport, Conn., a heavy stockholder, is now here. The boom company is not known. The engine-house, two shaft-houses, tool shed, blacksmith shop and two small outbuildings were soon in ruins. The boarding-house was saved, as was also the main shaft distance moved. There was no insurance. The company will resume operations as soon as new machinery can be brought in. Buildings will be erected as soon as the lumber can be hauled to the mine.

INDIAN SCHOOLS IN BAD LIGHT

Inspector McConnell Makes Serious Charges Against ex-Official. SPOKANE, March 12.—Indian Inspector W. J. McConnell, ex-Governor of Idaho, is at Washington, pressing charges of gross debauchery of girls at Indian schools. His charges have been filed with the Senate and printed in Senate document 201. It contains an affidavit making a most serious charge against ex-Superintendent of Schools and Acting Agent H. P. Ewing, at the Huastal reservation in Arizona. His conduct was investigated by Inspector McConnell, and he resigned before the investigation was concluded. The affidavit asserts that Ewing maintained illicit relations with one young

VOTES FOR WILLIAMSON

UMATILLA COUNTY REPUBLICANS HOLD CONVENTION.

Delegates Will Also Support Furnish for Governor—Men Nominated for Local Offices.

PENDLETON, March 12.—The Republican County Convention, held in this city today, declared in favor of J. N. Williamson for Governor to succeed Hon. W. J. Burness, and W. J. Furnish for Governor. Delegates to the state convention were elected as follows: J. J. Balleary, W. S. Evers, Thomas Thompson, E. P. Marshall, J. A. Fee, Matt McGrover, William Ferguson, J. A. Dudley, J. A. Best, T. P. Gilliland, L. I. Gault, A. B. Thompson, L. B. Reeder, F. S. Curl.

Primaries Go for Williamson. HEPPNER, March 12.—The Republican Primaries were held here today. The result here and throughout the county, so far as heard from, is complete victory for J. N. Williamson for Governor. The county convention will be held here next Saturday, and will probably send a solid delegation to D. N. Williamson.

GERER TO DIVIDE WITH SIMON. States in Marion Will Be Made Up on a Half-and-Half Basis.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—An equal division of the slate for the Simon-Geer states in primaries is the program for Friday's election, so far as can be learned. States thus composed will be fought by the anti-Simon-Geer people. In precincts where the sentiment seems to be strong against Simon, the Geer representation on the slates will be stronger on the combination slates, while in other precincts there will be as many Simon men on the slates as prudence will permit. By this arrangement it is expected that friction between the Simon people and the Geer people will be practically eliminated, and that the combined forces will present a solid front against the anti. All the Simon-Geer slates will run in the primaries as Geer slates, and it is thus hoped to land a sturdy number of Simon men in the county convention. It was rumored today that there was considerable friction in the ranks of the combination, owing to the desire of the Simon people to name more than their share of the delegates to the slates. It is learned tonight, however, that the Geer people will concede Simon an equal representation, though he has not nearly so many friends as has Geer in the Republican ranks.

This arrangement still leaves Ed Croisan in absolute control over the Geer forces. The Geer people will not stand a ghost of a chance, and the question now is whether the people will endorse Simon through their loyalty to Geer. The Geer people are careful not to let too many prominent Simon men on the slates, for fear the result would be disaster. The anti-Simon-Geer people are putting up slates upon which are found no Simon men, and hope thus to defeat the combination.

From an occurrence at the County Clerk's office tonight it may be judged that the privileges of voting in the primaries this year is highly prized. This morning a man unknown to the Clerk registered as a resident of South Salem precinct, and swore to his place of abode. This evening he returned, and asked to have his registration changed to Salem No. 2. "But you swore this morning that you lived in South Salem," said Clerk Hall. "I have moved since then, and I am a resident of Salem No. 2. This was one of three men who registered today in South Salem and later in the day changed to Salem No. 2. The other two are the one that the anti has claimed as theirs, after having polled the precincts several days ago. A number of secret meetings were held by both factions in Salem, last night, and the slates are assuming definite form. All the lists will be completed Thursday night, but will not be made public until they are placed at the voting booth on Friday.

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OREGON MINING STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Bid, Asked. Includes Alaska M. & N., Arizona, Carbon, etc.

SAFETY OF BUILDING

Requires a foundation. That is just as true of the building up of the body as of the building of a house. The foundation of a strong body is a strong stomach. No man can be stronger than his stomach. A weak stomach means a weak man.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It enables the perfect digestion and assimilation of the food which is eaten. Thus it builds up the body and restores strength to the only way known to Nature or to science—by digested and assimilated food.

STOP COUGHING

Stop it at once, before it gets the start of you. Stop it with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Two Oregon Towns Incorporated. SALEM, March 12.—The towns of Freewater, Umatilla County, and Haines, Baker County, were incorporated today under the general laws of the state. This was effected by petition of the people of the towns and by order of the County Courts.

REPUBLICAN APPOINTMENT

ASTORIA, March 12.—The Republican County Central Committee has fixed the following apportionment of delegates in the city to the county convention: First Ward, 2; Second Ward, 1; Third Ward, 1. The officers of Haines are: Mayor, David Wilcox; Recorder, R. P. Anderson; Marshall, Rozier Toney; Treasurer, Henry Perry; John Ingram, H. J. Hammond, A. Long and B. F. Toney.

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Cold Coughs Asthma Bronchitis Hoarseness Weak Lungs Weak Throats

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Convention Dates Fixed. OREGON CITY, March 12.—The Citizens' committee of nine, appointed to formulate an address to the voters of the county, and to set dates for the Citizens' primary, and for a Citizens' county convention, was in session all day in the office of the chairman, Colonel Robert A. Miller, and the address will be issued tomorrow morning. April 5 is the date set for the Citizens' primary, and the county convention will be held April 8.

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