

WIDE WITH CAUTION

Reclamation Service Will Not Rush Irrigation Projects.

NEW FIELD IN WASHINGTON

Not Rated as an Arid State, the Officials Had to Do an Immense Amount of the Preliminary Work.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 30.—It is fair to conclude from information given out by the Reclamation Office, that the Government will not undertake the construction of irrigation projects in Eastern Washington before next Summer. No such official announcement is made, but that is the natural and the only conclusion that can be drawn from the facts.

Washington suffers, for one thing, because, in times past, it was not rated as an arid land state, and no attention was paid to the study of its water resources. The consequence has been that when the Government began the construction of big irrigation works, it knew nothing of the situation in Washington, and naturally turned to states and territories which were familiar ground.

In Washington the work had to begin at the bottom; streams had to be measured, arid lands to be surveyed, and a general study had to be made of irrigation possibilities everywhere where it was supposed irrigation could be carried on. True, there was some private irrigation, but that was no guide whatever to the Government; the Reclamation Service had to go in and find out whether the land was invaded or absorbed by private interests.

There may or may not be justice in the criticisms of the Reclamation Service for its delay in getting started in Washington. To measure the streams, locate reservoir sites, survey and map canal lines, and estimate the cost of building them, is no simple matter.

But there are two fields open to the Government in Eastern Washington, where work may be undertaken next year. Yakima Valley and the Okanogan country. It is not clear whether these projects will be built; that is not known, and cannot be known for several months to come.

OUR MISNAMED FISHES
Due to Ignorance of Early English Colonists.
The fishes of the United States are oddly misnamed, according to Dr. Theodore Gill, co-operative worker with the Bureau of Fisheries.

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SENT FRIEND TO PRISON

YOUNG BURGLAR NOW CONFINED TO TWENTY RAIDS.

Lester Richardson, 19 Years Old. Has Been Living High in Seattle From Theft.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 30.—(Special)—Lester Richardson, the 19-year-old burglar, who has confessed to more than 20 burglaries since he was arrested a few days ago, is the lad whose confession sent Richard J. Dufrane, the foster son of wealthy Chicago parents to the state penitentiary to serve a two-year term for the theft of a watch and jewelry.

MRS. SHUPE KILLED DOUGLAS

Jury Says Voluntary Manslaughter and Recommends Mercy.

BOISE, Idaho, July 30.—(Special)—The trial of Mrs. Cudde M. Shupe, charged with having murdered Arthur Douglas at her home in Montpelier the night of July 28, closed at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The jury returned a verdict of voluntary manslaughter, with a recommendation to the court for mercy, was agreed upon at 2 o'clock this morning.

Buying Supplies Farther South.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 30.—(Special)—Because there are no more supplies to be had in Seattle the Alaska Central Railroad is now purchasing what it requires in Portland and San Francisco.

Bridge Over the Clearwater.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 30.—(Special)—Erickson & Peterson, railroad contractors, announce today that they will establish permanent offices and headquarters at Lewiston, and move their headquarters to that city.

Investigating Gold-Bearing Land.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 30.—(Special)—I. B. Hammond, president of the Hammond Manufacturing Company of Portland, and four business associates arrived here this morning and drove to a point above Lewiston, on the Snake River. Mr. Hammond did not wish to state the nature of his business here, but it is known he is investigating the black sand with a view to establishing a gold-dredging plant in this vicinity.

Building at Aberdeen.

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