

WATER MADE LAND

Large Area in Umatilla Held for Irrigation.

WHISTLER PREPARES PLAN

Government May Reclaim 90,000 Acres in Umatilla Valley-Below Echo-Work Depends on Settlers' Consent.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 18.—The Interior Department today temporarily withdrew from entry about 90,000 acres of land on Umatilla River with a view to determining the feasibility of its irrigation.

The lands withdrawn are sections 1, 2, 3, 10 to 15, 21 to 28 and 33 to 36 in township 4 north, range 28 east; sections 9 to 16, 21 to 27, 34 to 36, township M in range 28 east; all townships 3 and 4, range 28 east; sections 4 to 9, 14 to 21, 28 to 33 in township 4, range 30, and sections 4 to 9, 15 to 21 and 28 to 33 in township 5, range 30.

The government is not yet convinced that it will be practicable to undertake reclaiming these lands or part of them, but preliminary examinations made by John T. Whistler indicate that such a project will likely be feasible. It is on his recommendation that the withdrawal is made. Further investigations are to be made of the lands withdrawn.

This land is on the east side of the Umatilla River below Echo, where several small private enterprises are under construction or are contemplated. The greater part of the tract is either patented or entered, so that the plan is subject to the acceptance or rejection of the people interested.

The general plan proposed is to divert water from the Umatilla by a feeder canal between 15 and 20 miles long into what is called Cold Springs reservoir site. A dam there to hold the water, 90 feet deep, will impound a sufficient supply alone for 15,000 acres. About 10,000 acres of good land is estimated to lie under the reservoir, and, by using one irrigation in the Spring direct from the river, it is thought the entire 10,000 acres can be provided with an adequate and assured full supply.

Lying above the reservoir distributaries, but below the feed canal, will be from 10,000 to 12,000 acres of irrigable land which can, by increasing the size of the feed canal, be supplied with flood water or winter irrigation.

Pinchot Coming to Irrigation Meet.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 18.—Gifford Pinchot, chief of forestry, has notified his office that he will leave Denver tonight for Portland to attend the Irrigation Congress.

New Rural Carriers.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 18.—Ray Harker and Clarence Scarborough have been appointed rural carriers at Wilbur, Wash.

IMPROVE PANAMA ROAD

Shonts Finds It Operated Far Below Its Capacity.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Chairman Shonts of the Isthmian Canal Commission, has returned to Washington from a trip to the Isthmus and was at his office today. He found that the Panama Railroad was operated to only 80 per cent of its capacity and intends that this shall be corrected at once.

LOWER TARIFF ON MACHINERY

Russia Makes Concessions in Anticipation of Reciprocity.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 18.—The Associated Press is informed that M. Witte will soon make an official announcement in America of a reduction in the duties on American machinery, etc., which have been operative since 1901. Ambassador Meyer secured this concession after extended negotiations with the Ministers of Finance and Foreign Affairs.

Will Fight Seed Distribution.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—At a meeting here of representatives of the American Association of Nurserymen, the American Seed Trade Association and the Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists, an organization was formed with F. R. Pierson of Tarrytown, N. Y., chairman, for the purpose of co-operating in all matters of mutual interests. Among the subjects agreed upon for such cooperation were the securing of favorable rulings by collectors of customs regarding imports of seeds, plants, bulbs, trees and horticultural merchandise and supplies; a discontinuance of Governmental free seed distribution.

Sues for Possession of Land.

P. Maher, a squatter on a 20-foot strip of land in First street, was sued for possession yesterday in the State Circuit Court by Augusta Marks, who says she is the owner of the land. Notice to vacate was served upon Maher by the Sheriff.

ASK THE ATTENDANTS.

In the Mellin's Food Exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition the attendants will be delighted to give you any and all information that you may desire in regard to Mellin's Food. They have some nice cloth-bound books to give away that tell all about Mellin's Food. They will mail you one if you will ask for it.

"The Different Store,"--5th, 6th, Washington Sts. THE FOREMOST DEPARTMENT HOUSE WEST OF CHICAGO Store Closes at 6 P. M. Visitors are Urged to Enjoy Every Privilege of This Great Store to the Utmost.

WANTED AT ONCE: Ten Experienced Salesladies for the Suit and Wrap Salons. Apply to Supl. before 10 A. M. Today



WE WIND UP THE WEEK AT 6 P. M. TODAY ONE FULL DAY OF BUYING IS FITTED INTO TEN HOURS HERE!

The bargains of the entire week are gathered into one monster convention, properly classified for quick and convenient shopping today of those careful, thrifty folk who plan to get Saturday buying "THRO' BY DAYLIGHT." The store news is carefully boiled down and presented in condensed form for easy digestion of busy readers.

"DOES IT PAY?"

A letter came to hand under a recent date, from an anonymous friend of the store, sent the early Saturday closing movement. He asks, "Do your employees appreciate the financial sacrifice you make in closing at 6 P. M. on Saturdays enough to repay you for doing the same?" Yes; we believe they do. Tho' the cordial intercourse we enjoy daily with our great army of help-

ers are convinced that we possess their hearty appreciation in a marked degree. The writer tells of visiting another city store on Saturday evening last, finding it thronged with people, many of whom, he felt sure, would have preferred shopping here had this store been open. And he begs us earnestly to "cut out" the early Saturday closing. He assures us of the "lion's share" of public patronage if only we will keep open the doors of the store during the evening. Well--we don't doubt but that our good friend could deliver the goods, as labeled above--for surely we get the bulk of trade that is done during business hours--and we believe we deserve what we get--don't you? Our loyal ally, who signs himself "Ex-Merchant," asks us, "DOES IT PAY?" Yes, brother, we believe it DOES. WOULD YOU THINK OF WALKING BACKWARD the balance of your life? Would you look again upon this grand country of ours soaked in the blood and tears of a million human beings bound in the chains of hopeless slavery, because it "PAID" a few thousand slaveholders a few thousand miserable dollars each? Would you see America go BAOK to that? Would you, "Ex-Merchant," want to see this great and growing, progressive PORTLAND of ours fall back into the tracks of her village days, with her time-hallowed customs, and her Indian "trading posts," where shopping was a system of "swapping," and the storekeeper who could "swap" the best and cheat the worst waxed rich the quickest? FORWARD! not backward, is the slogan of our clan. PROGRESSION, not RETROGRESSION, our watchword. Because other stores grope in the darkness of a bygone century, with its pioneer days and medieval customs, and because other stores possess neither capacity nor desire to keep pace with the times, is no reason why this "DIFFERENT STORE" should halt in its forward career. Would you, Mr. "Ex-Merchant," or hosts of other friends of this store's progressive leadership in all that tends to better storekeeping--would you that we should emulate the FIELDS, the WANAMAKERS, the WHITES, the ALTMANS and the STERNS, or would you that we follow the road backward with the Boverities and "pullers-in" that never close their shops? We think we hear your answer: "Go forward--go upward--go on." If you have not fully decided, just come down to the store tonight at six o'clock--and bring your heart with you. Hark to the big gong that liberates over 600 happy helpers. Look at their faces, and tell us if you see any wan, worn look in those cheerful features. Follow them out, and go with them to their homes. Listen to the merry chaff and lightsome laughter; hear them planning for a jolly evening of pleasant recreation and a restful Sabbath. Look on this picture--then ON THIS. Come down again at about 9:30; select another store, whose owners live for the "money there is in it"--"that's all." Go in and look around--the closing gong rings--the excitement goes out with the lights, and as the artificial lights go out watch the lights go out in the eyes of the poor clerks; the lids droop, tired heads ache and temples throb. Trembling ankles refuse to support languid bodies as those bodies, thoroughly worn out with fourteen hours of patient waiting, drag themselves forth into the darkness, or the blazing maze of temptations that line the city streets. But, there's yet strength enough left in those tired limbs to drag their owners--God bless 'em--past that maze, safe home, but tired out, mind, body and soul. No recreation for them, poor slaves. No pleasant home evening, but merciful sleep takes them to her bosom and lulls them into forgetfulness of their weariness. Then Sabbath morning comes--but they're too tired for church, too tired for the restful outings even, too tired for anything but SLEEP. And the day goes, and Monday morning comes again with its work. This picture appears on the canvas 52 times during the year, friends. Did you ever see it in all its horrid forms before? Take a good look. Then ask, "DOES IT PAY? Does WHAT pay?"--to be human, to have human feelings for our fellow-workers--men and women; to believe in the Brotherhood of Man and carry out the belief; to render unto our employees their birthright and God-given privilege of enjoying their own time in their own way? YES--IT PAYS. There's more than mere money in business for us. We wouldn't exchange one penny's worth of the respect and loyalty given us by our helpers, or of the happiness afforded by knowing we're RIGHT, for any gold ever taken "after hours" by heartless, grasping merchants. No; "RENDER UNTO CAESAR THAT WHICH IS CAESAR'S,"--but give to us the esteem of the populace and employes alike--and we'll go on in the good fight for BETTER STOREKEEPING. Yes--"IT PAYS" to CLOSE SATURDAY NIGHTS, as on all other days, at 6 P. M.

SUMMER WASH GOODS REDUCED--SOME TO HALF

First Floor. LINEN SUITING--Used so much for the stylish, popular linen suits, natural color or only-- Our 35c value; special at, yard.....29c Our 40c value; special at, yard.....34c Our 45c value; special at, yard.....39c Our 50c value; special at, yard.....44c Our 55c value; special at, yard.....49c

Women's 'Merode' Summer Weight Knit Underwear

All sizes, styles and qualities of the Summer-weight of this make are included in this sale. Knit Corset Covers--Our 25c value; special at, each.....20c Our 40c value; special at, each.....30c Our 45c value; special at, each.....35c Our 50c value; special at, each.....40c

Rare Bargains in Rare Haviland China and Guaranteed Silverware

Beautiful Haviland China Dinner Sets, with decoration of dainty pink and green sprays and gold handles and knobs; 12-piece sets; special sale price.....\$27.00 Haviland & Co's White China and decorated Haviland China, in various and Josephine patterns, in sets or separate pieces; special for today's selling at One-third Off Regular Price.

Stirring Special Sale of Staple and Summer Suit Silks

Silk Store--Fifth-St Annex--First Floor. Last day today of the great clean-up sale in Portland's Leading Silk and Dress Store. Store, every yard of our Summer Novelty Suit Silks go At Half Price

Sale of Rich Ostrich Plumes and Tips

\$2.50 TO \$5.00 PLUMES FOR \$1.50. Amazon Ostrich Plumes, 18 inches in length, in black and white--Our \$2.50 to \$5.00 value; special Saturday price, each.....\$1.50

Women's Embroidered Richelieu Ribbed Hose

Several different lines of Allan Imported Hose, in black, Ribbed-ribbed, lisle, with embroidered heels; also some in black gauze lisle; splendid quality, and not a pair of them worth less than \$3; Extra special for today at, pair.....25c

TODAY The Last Day of the Sensational Values in Women's Tailored Street Suits AND SUMMER SUITS OF LINEN Suits up to \$25, Special \$ 9.87 Suits up to \$38.50, " \$12.85 Linen Suits \$4.50 to \$28.50-- ALL GO AT ONE-HALF PRICE TODAY GRAND SALONS--SECOND FLOOR

A Saturday Sale THAT MUST INTEREST THRIFTY HOUSEWIVES AND HOTEL FOLK. MARKED SAVINGS IN BUYING OF Towels, Towelings Bedspreads

Today's Great Millinery Values Last Special Sale of Trimmed Summer Hats

Final Reductions on Entire Stock of Parasols HURRY AND GET CHOICE PICKINGS All Parasols up to \$3.50 in value, now.....\$2.25

Final Drastic Cut on BATHING SUITS Kuttwear Shops--First Floor. THESE ARE THE REDUCED FIGURES: WOMEN'S BATHING SUITS.

A Grand Bunch of Bargains for Men Shoppers Today West (Sixth-St.) Annex--First Floor. MEN'S \$1.00 UNDERWEAR 60c.

Can You Wear Size 3 or 3 1/2 Hosiery? There Are Some Big Bargains for Possessors of Little Feet in the Women's Hosiery Shops Today--First Floor.

The Big Sale of Women's Shoes at \$1.29

Great August Sale of Women's Undermuslins Is Still Going On Annex--Second Floor. Special bargains for today--A Grand

An Unusually Tempting Bargain in High-Class Royal Worcester Corsets

ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS \$4.97 for Royal Worcester Corsets worth \$7.50