

HOMES REPLACE THE SAGEBRUSH

Wonderful Progress Is Noted in Irrigated District About Bend.

SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT

Ten Thousand Acres Occupied by 250 Families—But Small Portion of Land Now Under Water—Crops Prolific.

BY A. W. PRESCOTT.
BEND, Or., Aug. 12.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Expressions of surprise and satisfaction were frequently uttered today by Governor Chamberlain and other members of the party that reached Bend last evening for the purpose of investigating the condition of the reclamation projects that have been started in this vicinity. While the representatives of the state and Government have not yet given attention to the details of their task, and are not in a position to express an opinion which will indicate their final conclusions, they freely voiced their pleasure over the rapid progress that has been made in agriculture in the Deschutes country.

Three years ago, when the State Land Board made its first visit of inspection to the Deschutes project, there was not an irrigated field within the limits of either of the immense tracts set apart for reclamation. Yesterday the party that came to Bend passed dozens of irrigated fields, where settlers have transformed sagebrush plains into fields of alfalfa, wheat, corn, potatoes and garden vegetables. The view of these many thrifty, growing crops was a practical demonstration of the success of irrigation on the Deschutes, for fields were seen where two crops of alfalfa, aggregating three tons to the acre, were cut on land seeded down last season, and where fully matured wheat of first-class quality has been harvested long before the frost season has arrived.

Much Land Lies Unused.

There are the gratifying conditions that have been observed, and yet there is much that might be wished and there is much yet to be done. Of the 140,000 acres in the Deschutes project probably 85,000 acres are so located as to be subject to cultivation. It is therefore apparent that somewhat less than one-eighth of the entire irrigable area is now producing a crop. Much more than that quantity of land now reached by canals has been sold to persons who have not come to reside upon it and who have not improved it in the least. The water is ready for them, but for one reason or another they have not used it. Some of them may be speculators. Others included, when they applied for the land, to make homes upon it, but they have not found it easy to break away from former occupations and come here to reclaim the desert. Still others may have become financially embarrassed and have abandoned their purchases.

In addition to this land for which water has been provided, and which has not been cultivated, there is a large area not yet reached by the irrigation system. Thus it occurs that while the investigators were riding past beautiful fields of alfalfa and wheat and oats they were also riding through miles after miles of sagebrush land, upon which the farmers' grubbing tools have not been used.

Ten thousand acres of luxuriant vegetation are a considerable quantity to produce in the midst of a desert, and yet it would look like a mere spot upon the vast expanse of waste if one could look down upon the Deschutes Valley from a balloon. Scarcely more than a beginning has been made, but that beginning has been such as to give promise of a magnificent future for irrigation farming in this section of the state.

Apples Growing Nearby.

But fields of alfalfa and grain and vegetables were not all of interest to the visitors. Yesterday afternoon in the northern part of Crook County they passed a freight wagon hauling more than 100 boxes of apples to Prineville. They were not Hood River apples, but they looked just as good. They were grown on the McAllister ranch near the junction of Crooked River and the Deschutes, and within six miles of the land that is to be reclaimed. Thus having before them conclusive proof of the character of fruits that may be raised here, the visitors felt confident that some day, when orchards have been brought to maturity, the Deschutes apple will have its place in the market reports of newspapers and in the list of prize-winners at the state and local fairs.

Those apples, Gravenstein, had just been picked from the trees. They sell for \$1.75 a bushel. That is the price the grower gets. The value of his time and that of his horses spent in hauling the fruit the 23 miles to the county seat. It takes an apple tree eight to 12 years to come into bearing. It is not a rash guess to predict that in less than a dozen years the population of Crook County will have increased to such an extent that apples will be imported from Hood River, or elsewhere, to supply the demand. In its own good time, however, the Deschutes country will have apple trees enough in bearing to fill the home market at least.

Hold Land Without Improvements.

The character of improvements made by the settlers on the Deschutes irrigation project, indicates the utmost good faith. While the farmhouses are not large or beautiful they are comfortable and sufficient for a family of ordinary size. Those who have made any settlement at all manifestly have done so with the intention of permanently residing there. Not much can be said as to the intentions of those hundreds of "settlers" who have purchased lands and made partial payments, but who have made no improvements and show no inclination to come here to reclaim the land by using the water at their disposal. Perhaps some of them have been deterred by the questions and controversies that have arisen before the State Land Board over adoption of rules, title to water and other matters, but it is hoped that soon all doubt and controversy will be removed, and that not only will the reclamation company be compelled to

supply water to the land as rapidly as possible, but every settler shall be obliged to cultivate a certain area of land—a quantity sufficient to constitute a practical guarantee that he will eventually be a settler in good faith or compel him to make room for others who will.

Engineer Lewis Called Home.

Upon hearing last evening of the death of his brother in Portland, State Engineer Lewis departed at once for home. Aside from the casual inspection of the project, and a conference with the chief engineer of the reclamation company, C. E. Redfield, Mr. Lewis had completed none of the work for which he came. Governor Chamberlain and John T. Whistle, of the United States Reclamation Service, will continue the inspection. It will probably be joined by Special Inspector Neuhausen Thursday.

ABERDEEN IS TO BE CLOSED

Mayor Will Order Thus Because of Disorderly Conduct.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Although it took a probable fatal shooting affray to bring it about, Mayor France announced today that he will order all saloons closed at Sunday next. The Mayor says he will not take this action because of the law, but rather because of the fact that the saloon men have not kept their promise made to him that they would conduct their places of resort in a peaceable and orderly manner.

The shooting affray occurred Sunday night, and Mrs. Machlin lies at the point of death as a result of a gunshot wound inflicted by Lou Smith. The saloons and other places of business were open as usual last Sunday, but no arrests have been made. In view of the Mayor's promised action, there may be no further prosecution of the cases which are to come up in court tomorrow. A mass meeting of church people was held Sunday in the Methodist Church and action taken intended to assist Rev. Mr. Benedict in the prosecution of the violations of the Sunday law. In view of the Mayor's action, this league also may act no further.

SAYS RATE IS VERY LOW

FULLER DENIES THE CHARGES AGAINST THE O. W. P.

Contents Passengers Are Carried in Some Cases at Less Than Cost on Estacada Line.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Contending that the passenger rates charged upon the Estacada and Lents lines of the O. W. P. system to the various stations mentioned are extremely low—in some cases below the actual cost of the service rendered, and lower than the rates generally in force on electric suburban lines either in the East or West—and claiming as a fair business proposition, that the rates should be increased rather than diminished, Vice-President E. L. Fuller, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, has filed his reply to the complaint of J. H. Harris, of the Clarke-Woodard Truck Company, of Portland, made to the Railroad Commission against the alleged excessive and unreasonable fares charged from certain points on the Estacada line, including Gilbert, and also the crowded condition of cars on both the Estacada and Mount Scott lines.

"The statement that the distance to Luther, Kendall and Lents, the three points mentioned on the Springwater division, is respectively much less than to Tremont, Gray's Crossing and Lents, the three points mentioned on the Mount Scott division, is not correct," said Mr. Fuller in his reply to the separate charges of the complaint, "as the former three points are respectively from two to two and one-third miles farther from the center of the city by rail than the three points first mentioned, having a 5-cent fare. In fact, Luther, the nearest point mentioned on the Springwater division, is about one and one-half miles farther from First and Alder streets than Lents, the most distant of the three points mentioned on the Mount Scott division. "The statement that a person can ride to a point three miles beyond Watson on the same 15-cent fare as to Watson, on the Estacada line, is approximately correct, as Gates Station, the end of the 10-cent fare limit, is two and one-half miles beyond Watson. This, however, is the ordinary condition, and is manifestly impossible to have all points between 5-cent and 10-cent fare limits the same distance from the center of the city. Taking up the actual charge to Luther, the cash fare to Lents is 10 cents, the distance 8.5 miles, a rate of less than 1.2 cents per mile. The purchase of a 20-cent ticket for \$1.50 gives a 75-cent ride to Portland, or less than .9 of a cent per mile.

"The only way one can pay a 15-cent fare from Gilbert to Portland is to pay from station to station," Mr. Fuller continued, after stating that if Mr. Harris had ever been required to pay this fare, he alleges he had been overcharged. "He could pay a 15-cent fare from Lents to Lents Junction, 5 cents from Lents Junction to Lents and 5 cents from Lents to Portland. Even this would entitle him to a transfer, which he claims will not be granted on the payment of 15 cents. Five cents entitles him to ride from Gilbert to Lents, and there is no reason why he should not be permitted to travel this distance, as the conductor of the Estacada train, on the payment of a 5-cent fare from Gilbert, will issue a 5-cent transfer, good from Lents Junction to Lents."

Mr. Faulkner denies that it was the new management of the O. W. P. lines that extended the line from Lents Junction to Lents and established the extra 5-cent fare on this line, as the fare to Lents had previously been established at an extremely low rate, less than .7 of a cent per mile. It was not to be supposed that they would not make a greater charge for the longer trip. He denied that the service on the Estacada and Mount Scott lines is very irregular, as charged by Mr. Harris. He admits that the cars are not always perfectly on time, especially on the Mount Scott line where, on a 15-minute service, a very small delay tends to bunch the cars; but he says the service is steadily improving with the greater-power facilities being furnished, and is very much more regular than it was a year ago. He says that as many as one, two, three and four additional cars are attached during the rush hours, and that the company is able to accommodate the steadily increasing traffic.

WANTED BACK IN ILLINOIS

George Everett Requested by Rockford's Chief of Police.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Chief of Police A. E. Borgren, of Rockford, Ill., today asked Chief Wapenstaal to deliver George Everett, alias George Burton, wanted in Illinois as an escaped convict. Burton escaped when en route to Joliet penitentiary for a term of 15 years. He broke into 18 offices in Rockford in a single night, opening and robbing six of them. He will be sent back when re-sentencing papers are received.

New York City pays \$75 a year for the rats and mice that the reptiles of Bronx Zoological Park eat.

NOTIONS SNAP DRESS FASTENERS, all sizes, 2 dozen on card, value 10c, special.....7c
BEST MACHINE OIL, 4-ounce bottle, in patent oil can, value 15c, special.....10c
BOX PAPER, Japanese linen, value 15c, special.....12c
LACE SHELF PAPER, best quality, white or colors, value 10c, special.....5c
PICTURES, large line of 65c values, extra special.....39c

We Sell LADIES' HOME JOURNAL PATTERNS
OLDS WORTHMAN & KING
FIFTH-WASHINGTON AND SIXTH STREETS

TOILETS POND'S EXTRACT CREAM, in glass jar, value 25c, special, jar.....17c
SOLID BACK ALL BRISTLE HAIR BRUSHES, value 75c, special, each.....49c
WHISK BROOMS, an extra good value at 25c, special.....17c
TALCUM POWDER, Colgate's Violet or Cashmere Bouquet, can.....15c
4-LB. BAR WHITE CASTILE SOAP, value 60c, special.....39c

The Greatest Sale of Ostrich Plumes

Portland Has Ever Seen Is Now in Progress at This Store

Women's Vests 19c
Vests worth to 50c each, tho' most are 35c values; they're prime grade of white lisle in the Swiss rib; some have lace-trimmed yokes, some yokes are crocheted trimmed, and some are plain; one style has the ribbon shoulder straps in medium or narrow width, one of the prettiest style vests ever manufactured; choice for today, only.....19 Cents

Decorated China Specials

Here's a list of values that should bring you to the third floor on a buying trip. We are closing out several lines of Haviland French China in exquisitely decorated designs. They come in assorted sizes and decorations; only one or two of a kind; but values—goodness! you never saw anything like it. Why, you can buy berry or oatmeal plates in assorted decorations for, each.....15c

Soup Plates, assorted decorations, special, each.....20c
Plates, assorted decorations and sizes, special, each.....25c
Creamers, special, each.....40c
Tea Pots, special, each.....90c
Sugars, special, each.....75c
Chocolate Pots, each.....90c
Teacups and Saucers, special, each.....25c
After-Dinner Coffee Cups and Saucers, special, each.....15c
Covered Vegetable Dishes, special, each.....75c
All assorted sizes and decorations.
Many other articles at equally attractive prices to close out odd lines.

GREAT IS THE Shoe Sale

Fresh numbers being added now to strengthen every line and make the assortment as good as the first day this splendid sale started. Here are four sample values:

LOT 1—WOMEN'S SHOES AND OXFORDS—Low or high shoes in the finest of leathers, from several of the best shoemakers in the country. The low shoes include the popular Garden or Grecian ties and swaggar button shoes. Any last, any heel, any toe, and any style. Worth to \$6, choice.....\$3.29
LOT 2—WOMEN'S OXFORDS—In all the most wanted leathers and all popular shapes; come with light or extension soles, and in white or colored canvas; also in the best leathers. Regular \$3.50 and \$4.00 grades.....\$2.89
LOT 3—WOMEN'S OXFORDS—From regular stock, in splendid grade, to which we add a special purchase of the superb "DU BARRY" shoe in the high-cut models. This is one of the famous makes in \$3.50 shoes; good styles, well made and of a prime grade of leather. Hundreds of pairs in this assortment. Choice.....\$1.98
LOT 4—MEN'S MED' M-GRADE SHOES AND OXFORDS, made in all leathers and covering the popular fashionable shapes. Hundreds of pairs in the most desired styles for street and dress wear. Our \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes have always been popular for the good styles and satisfactory wear. Buy them now.....\$3.19

It is without question the millinery sensation of the year. We do not believe so large a number, such an immense assortment, has ever before been placed before the people of Portland with an invitation to buy to their heart's content. Don't think it is too early to purchase, for Ostrich Plumes are as staple as thread, or stockings, or anything we carry. They can be used on any hat you have, and to buy now means to save. You have read the former advertisements; you surely know without our telling you here, how this bargain came to be; but are you among those who bought? If not, we would advise you to be here today. The selection is still as good as ever; come in black, white and colors, and reduced like this:

REGULAR \$2.00 VALUE.....\$1.50
REGULAR \$3.00 VALUE.....\$2.25
REGULAR \$4.00 VALUE.....\$3.00
REGULAR \$6.00 VALUE.....\$4.50
REGULAR \$8.00 VALUE.....\$6.00
REGULAR \$10.00 VALUE.....\$7.50
REGULAR \$12.00 VALUE.....\$9.00
REGULAR \$16.00 VALUE.....\$12.00
REGULAR \$20.00 VALUE.....\$15.00
REGULAR \$24.00 VALUE.....\$18.00



REGULAR \$27.50 VALUE.....\$20.63

Men's Summer Underwear 37½ Cents

MEN'S SUMMER UNDERWEAR, shirts and drawers, in blue, brown and pink, 50c values, special, garment.....37½c
MEN'S SUMMER UNDERWEAR, shirts and drawers, in blue, gray, eern and pink, 75c values, special, garment.....49c
MEN'S GOLF SHIRTS, in gray or tan, with soft collars and cuffs, good \$1.25 val., sp'l.....95c
MEN'S MUSLIN NIGHTGOWNS, with or without collar; plain or with fancy borders, 75c values, special.....49c
MEN'S FANCY VESTS in plain white, colored and figured materials.....ONE-FOURTH
MEN'S PURE LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, with hemstitched border, ¼-inch hem, regular 20c, special.....12½c
SPECIAL SUIT CASE SALE—All straw and leather Suit Cases and Bags reduced.....ONE-FIFTH

Women's Linen Suits \$18.95

Here's a bargain that only early birds will share in. An assortment of the noblest, most jaunty Linen Suits possible to design. They come in white or colors, in daintily trimmed lingerie effects or plain tailored styles, and really worth to \$58.50 each. Just two dozen on sale today—they should last until about 9 o'clock, but while they're here you have your choice.....\$18.95
WOMEN'S LINEN SUITS in white or colors, in jaunty Etog effects, trimmed with rich lace; others in extremely modish tailored styles. The regular values run to \$28.50 each. Special for today.....\$9.98
WOMEN'S SHIRTSWAISTS, an assortment of lingerie or plain blouse models, in white or colors; most of these are \$1.00 waists, and they're good \$1.00 values, too, but some run even higher than that—in fact, up to \$1.50 and \$2.00—for this morning from 8 to 11:30 only we sell these waists, choice of any in the lot, for.....39c

WAS SKETCHING FORT PLANS

JAPANESE ARRESTED AS SPY IN PHILIPPINES.

Prisoner Arrives on the Transport Thomas—Will Be Tested as to His Sanity.

SAFANAC, SPAIN, Aug. 12.—An alleged Japanese spy, captured in the Philippines and brought to this country for the disposal of the military authorities, arrived this morning on the transport Thomas.

He will be taken to Mare Island for observation. The man's name is Tanaki Tsutsu. The Government has been working at this point for some time ago discovered dynamite distributed in such a manner as to arouse strong suspicion of foreign tampering. Japanese laborers had been employed on the entrenchments, but as soon as the explosives were found all the Japanese were discharged and Chinese coolies put in their places. Thereafter no more dynamite appeared.

A short time later Tanaki Tsutsu was recognized by a United States marine at Cavite as one of the discharged laborers. He was arrested and watched and was seen surreptitiously sketching the plan of the works at that port. He was at once taken into custody, but as soon as he was arrested he showed apparent signs of insanity.

SHOT DEAD BY OFFICER

Switchman Caught Robbing Freight Car Felled After Battle.

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 12.—State Police Officer J. B. Burke this morning shot and instantly killed F. A. Duman, a switchman at the West Oakland yards. The policeman claimed that the switchman was stealing a bottle of whisky from one of the Southern Pacific freight cars. A terrific running battle took place, during which the switchman was killed.

Fish Trap Not Removed.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—According to information received here, the owners of the fishtrap located just below Point Ellis and which the War Department had ordered removed, merely pulled out the trap lead and a few braces, leaving the greater portion of the trap standing. The officials of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union notified Colonel Roosevelt and this morning a letter was received from him stating that he had instructed Engineer Bagnall, at Fort Stevens, to ascertain why the order to remove the trap had not been strictly obeyed.

Fire at Courtney.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The home of Mr. Arnold, of Courtney, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday and the houses and contents of the trap lead and a few braces, leaving the greater portion of the trap standing. The officials of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union notified Colonel Roosevelt and this morning a letter was received from him stating that he had instructed Engineer Bagnall, at Fort Stevens, to ascertain why the order to remove the trap had not been strictly obeyed.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth Be sure and use that old-widened remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children's teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, cures colic and diarrhoea.

SALOON FIGHT ONN SALEM

QUESTION OF CAFE ON COMMERCIAL STREET ISSUE.

Petitions and Remonstrances Before City Council—Street Improvements Are to Be Made.

SALEM, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Saloon and anti-saloon had its lining before the City Council last evening. The question came up of granting the Standard Liquor Company a transfer of liquor license from the former location of one of its saloons, which was crowded out by a mercantile establishment on Court street, to a prominent position on Commercial street. After a heated debate the matter was finally referred to the committee on licenses for investigation and report, but the real purpose of the side-tracking of the petition, which was made at the instance of the anti-saloon element, was to give them time to muster their forces, since they thought they saw defeat in store for them if the question was brought to a final issue last evening.

For several years past efforts have been made to locate a saloon in the heart of the business district on Commercial street, but each time a strong remonstrance has been presented to the Council and the effort was defeated. This time the Standard Liquor Company leased the property formerly occupied by Strong's restaurant and announced that it was to be converted into a first-class cafe. When the Standard Liquor Company leased the property on the strength of the cafe proposition. Many of the business firms in the vicinity of the proposed saloon or cafe signed a remonstrance before the

petition was put into circulation, but Manager Magers, of the Standard Liquor Company, made the matter with the petition and secured the signatures of many of the remonstrators. The feeling among the Aldermen was pretty strong at last night's meeting, and a lively "scrap" is anticipated when it comes up finally for determination.

Another feature of last night's session of the City Council was the adoption of the ordinances for the improvement of five blocks of State street, reaching from Church street to Twelfth, traversed by the Southern Pacific main line and for three blocks on Court street, from Commercial to Church, with bituminous pavement. In the former ordinance the improvement of eight feet in the center of the street was left out of the specifications to avoid complications with the Portland General Electric Company, which objects to improving with concrete foundation, 75-pound grooved rails and Belgian blocks, and now it remains to patch up differences with the street railway company for the improvement of its portion of the street.

Young Man Comes to Grief.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The police have arrested Harry Owens, an expressman, alleged to have stolen fashionable clothing to attire himself so that he might sing in church choirs. He was a member of the Christian Endeavor choir. Five hundred dollars' worth of stolen finery was found.

There are 210 active volcanoes in the world.

Is an ordeal which all women approach with indescribable fear, for nothing compares with the pain and horror of child-birth. The thought of the suffering and danger in store for her, robs the expectant mother of all pleasant anticipations of the coming event, and casts over her a shadow of gloom which cannot be shaken off. Thousands of women have found that the use of Mother's Friend during pregnancy robs confinement of all pain and danger, and insures safety to life of mother and child. This scientific liniment is a god-send to all women at the time of their most critical trial. Not only does Mother's Friend carry women safely through the perils of child-birth, but its use gently prepares the system for the coming event, prevents "morning sickness," and other discomforts of this period. Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per bottle. Book containing valuable information free. The Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

MOTHER'S FRIEND