

OREGON MAN GETS FIRST LAND PRIZE

Isadore Selig Lucky at Coeur d'Alene.

LITTLE GIRLS PICK WINNERS

Kept Busy for Hours Beneath Scorching Sun.

HIRED CRIER ANNOUNCES

Names of Successful Applicants Are Shouted Aboard as Each Envelope Is Torn Open—Scores of Clerks Are Employed.

- PORTLAND WINNERS IN COEUR D'ALENE LAND DRAWING. No. Names. 132—Best Bridges, 453 Columbia street.

SPOKANE, Aug. 9.—When little Helen Hamilton, niece of Mayor Boyd, of Coeur d'Alene, walked into a pile of 195,000 yellow envelopes containing applications for land of the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation this morning, shortly after 10 o'clock, the great land drawing on the three tracts of Government land—the Flathead, the Coeur d'Alene and the Spokane Indian reservations—was on.

Several hundred people stood around the platform, on which Judge James W. Witten, of Washington, D. C., formally opened the drawing on one of the last of the big tracts of Uncle Sam's public domain.

When Miss Hamilton, daintily dressed in white, had plucked the first lucky envelope from the mass and handed it to Judge Witten and the name of Isadore Selig, of Myrtle Creek, Or., had been read aloud, the gathering crowd began to evidence increased interest and quivering excitement.

A faint cheer arose as the drawing in rapid order as Miss Hamilton, aided by Miss Christine Donlan and Miss Harriet Post, plucked the other lucky envelopes from the pile. Men and women, now anxious to hear the verdicts in the first 29 envelopes, crowded up to the platform where newspaper men and Government clerks grabbed at the bits of news-bearing names and started them throughout the land by special wires run to the drawing stand.

For two hours in the heat of a midday sun the three little girls pranced over the pile of yellow envelopes, plucking fortunes for some from among the pile of applications.

Girls Pose for Photographs. Long before the drawing began Judge Witten and his corps of officers and clerks moved from place to place, putting everything in readiness for the drawing. National colors, in the center of which floated a huge American flag, gave the platform a martial setting.

Twenty cast-iron cans, tightly sealed, were placed on the platform shortly before 10 o'clock, and two men started at the task of prying them open. The carriages carrying the sponsors of the drawing, Misses Hamilton, Post and Donlan, arrived on the scene a few minutes before 10 o'clock, and were hastily gathered around Judge Witten for photographs, for which a dozen or more eager newspaper photographers were waiting.

HARRIMAN PLANS ANOTHER MERGER

UNION PACIFIC, NEW YORK CENTRAL, ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

Holding Company to Be Owned by Union Pacific Will Carry Out Immense Deal.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—(Special.)—In the very best quarters promises are given that there will be early developments of a remarkable nature in Union Pacific. Just at the moment there is a crystallization of bullish feeling in this stock.

An important individual of wide range of information said today that the Harri-man plan provides not only for the formation of the Union Pacific Securities Company to hold Southern Pacific and other Union Pacific investments, which will have a capital stock of \$250,000,000, but that the Union Pacific would purchase the capital stocks of the New York Central and Illinois Central Railroads, exchanging collateral trust bonds for these stocks.

A securities holding company will be incorporated under the laws of New York. Stock of the holding company will be given to the Union Pacific stockholders in the shape of 100 per cent stock dividend. It is said that Mr. Harriman proposes that 5 per cent dividends shall be paid on stock of the securities holding company and that 5 per cent shall be paid on Union Pacific shares. This would mean an increase from 10 to 14 per cent in Union Pacific's return to stockholders.

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Constable Gets "Drop on Him" as He Draws Revolver.

OAKLAND, Aug. 9.—Constable W. C. Allen, of Fruitvale, last night captured Charles W. Dodson, a self-confessed forger and embezzler, even whose head 14 indictments for forgery and embezzlement are hanging in Boston, Mass. Dodson was locked in the County Jail.

A week ago Allen received information from Boston that Dodson was on this coast. He made an appointment with Dodson through a third person and, when Dodson arrived at the appointed place, Allen was there. Dodson made an effort to draw a revolver. Allen, however, was too quick for him, covering him with his own gun and putting on the handcuffs.

STEAMER MAIMED BY ICE

Crew of Puritan Has Perilous Task Shipping New Propellers.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 9.—To make extensive repairs in consequence of her injury sustained in the ice near Cape Nome, the steamer Puritan has arrived at Esquimalt. Captain Gore said the vessel was 11 days in the ice, and when freeing herself broke all the blades from her propeller. She made from two to three knots an hour by the use of square sails and the stumps of her screw blades, and a new seven-ton propeller was shipped with difficulty by the crew from a scow in the open roadstead at Cape Nome after the stern was tilted up by the unloading of two-thirds of her cargo from the after hold.

BROKEN NECK NOT FATAL

Seattle Lather, However, Has One Chance in 10,000 to Live.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—Suffering no pain but paralyzed below the shoulders, Theodore Olsen, a lather, lies at the City Hospital with his neck broken. He was so injured last evening when he fell from a bridge at Sixth Avenue South and Connecticut street, striking on his head 25 feet below.

The injured man, according to Dr. I. R. Greene, has probably one chance in 10,000 to live, and should he survive will be obliged to wear what is termed by the medical profession a "jury mast," an apparatus which supports the head with braces from the shoulders.

SHAME CAUSE OF DEATH

Son of Author of "America" Felt Disgrace at Prison Term.

DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 9.—Grief over his disgrace, although freed from prison, is largely responsible for the death of Samuel Francis Smith, ex-Mayor of Des Moines, in Toronto yesterday. Smith, the son of the writer of "America," was released last Thursday from the state reformatory after serving seven years of an 11-year sentence. He had been convicted of embezzling trust funds.

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SESSION IS EARLY SCENE OF UPROAR

Watson's Speech of Fiery Nature.

IRRIGATION CONGRESS MEETS

Director Newell Defends Government's Work.

HAY WELCOMES DELEGATES

San Francisco Leads in Contest for Next Meeting Place—Secretary Ballinger Will Be in Attendance Today.

SPOKANE, Aug. 9.—"The Government of the United States is sitting idly while millions of dollars' worth of natural resources are going to waste."

"American lands are going to waste while last year 65,000 Americans sought homes in Canada." "The Appalachian forestry bill which passed the House and Senate twice was killed by 'Uncle Joe'."

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LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—William Mason, a veteran of the Spanish-American war, gunner's mate on the Olympia, Admiral Dewey's flagship at Manila, was found dead in a lonely spot in Tejuca Canyon yesterday and beside his body lay a bottle labeled "poison."

NEWELL TARGET FOR QUESTIONS

James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern, who was to have spoken in the afternoon was not present. Nor was Senator Borah, of Idaho, and F. H. Newell, director of the United States Reclamation Service, was the first speaker of the afternoon. Mr. Newell read his address and afterward

SPITE KICK HURLS MAN OFF LADDER

VICTIM OF LINEMAN'S ANGER IS KNOCKED SENSELESS.

Assailant Arrested, Attacks Patrolman—Absence of Union Card Causes Novel Assault.

To fulfill threats made in a heated argument Fred Payne, a lineman, deliberately kicked a ladder from under Paul Mallott, an electrician engaged in making repairs at the Rutland Hotel, First and Clay streets, early last evening. As a consequence, Mallott was hurled backward and fell ten feet to the floor. He struck on his head and remained unconscious until revived by City Physician Zeigler an hour later. Payne was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

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BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 9.—(Special.)—"Good-bye, boys; I'm going to hell," remarked William Bauman with a cheerful grin as he started for the bottom of a 150-foot well, dangling on the end of a cable, this morning.

AT LEAST SIX DIE IN CHICAGO FIRE

BLAZE IN TENEMENTS DOES GREAT DAMAGE.

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Fire which swept away 20 residences in South Chicago this morning burned at least six persons to death. All the occupants were asleep and the fire spread with great rapidity.

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LOS ANGELES, Aug. 9.—There was a sensation in the trial of ex-Chief of Police Broadhead for bribery today when Nick Oswald, who has been the only witness thus far, repeated the fact that some months ago, while detectives were scouring the country for him and while the grand jury waited for days to hear his testimony, he was unostentatiously enjoying himself at the home of his brother-in-law in this city. Rewards of over \$1000 were outstanding for his arrest.

BECKER WILL RAISE SHEEP

Ex-'Boy Mayor' of Milwaukee May Make Home in Oregon.

Sherburn M. Becker, the "boy mayor" of Milwaukee, 1906-08, who is spending a few days in Portland, yesterday acquired an interest in a 180-acre ranch near Dilley, owned by Charles O'Neill, and will engage in raising sheep. Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Becker were schoolmates in Wisconsin, and it was the result of a visit to the O'Neill ranch and an observation of the possibilities of Western Oregon in the sheep business which influenced Mr. Becker to make the investment.

WRIGHTS FULL OF FAITH

Orville Intimates He Can Fly 1000 Miles in His Machine.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Orville Wright, the aviator, submitted to a brief interview tonight in which he said in effect that either he or his brother, Wilbur, barring mishaps, could fly 1000 miles. While he did not say this directly, he hinted as much by saying that his perfected machine could carry fuel enough to last 225 hours, which would enable it to travel 1000 miles if a 40-mile speed were maintained.

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