

# Irrigated Fruit and Alfalfa Lands of the Columbia River Basin

## At Echo, Umatilla County, Oregon

In this favored land of marvelous soil, rich in the constituents necessary to produce plant life, with abundant sunshine, equable climate, long growing seasons, permits us to announce that the greatest region of the Inland Empire country now enjoys for the first time an abundance of water for irrigation purposes, supplied by the forty miles of canals of the Western Land & Irrigation Company, of Echo, Or., Umatilla County.

A short distance above Echo this big company diverts the waters of Umatilla River, through its mammoth concrete headgates, which are built to stay built for all time to come; here it takes the water out of the river on its west bank, conveys it down and over the most fertile region of the Northwest—namely, Butter Creek Valley and adjacent lands thereto.

This region today offers exceptional opportunities. These lands have been known for a long time to be a banner fruit and alfalfa country and all kinds of products incident to a temperate climate. It possesses features not to be found in our famous fruit regions—longer growing season, deeper soil, more acreage and better shipping facilities, and other factors too numerous to mention.

Without doubt some of the finest favored apples are raised under this project, and the reasons are very easily understood, by reason of its peculiar fertile, deep soil, well drained, and plenty of sunshine—a climate most beautiful; the apples grown here, as well as peaches, pears, grapes and the like, are the best that can be had. The first alfalfa grown in the West was grown on Butter Creek without irrigation over twenty-five years ago, also the first fruit raised in the West was grown on Butter Creek. Today the oldest apple

trees in Oregon are on Butter Creek. These trees today are all healthy and in a fine state of preservation, producing fine fruit, being nearly forty (40) years old—showing and proving without doubt its inherent features to grow apples successfully and all other kinds of fruits, etc.

One thing has held it back all these years—CAPITAL to install an irrigation system big enough to supply water to its lands. Several attempts were made many years ago by local capital, but in each instance the attempt financially fell short. A couple of years ago Eastern capital took a hand in the bringing to the front the unfinished work of local capital.

Today this region has an abundance of water; settlement is moving in very rapidly; before the end of another year prices will be doubled and multiplied in many instances. Now is the time to buy land under this project, because there are some good bargains to be had. Offices are being opened up in the big Eastern cities where its high-priced land will be sold in small tracts. A short time from now land will multiply in value at this project. Its reasons are apparent. The place to invest, and the time, is where the lands are the best, the irrigation systems are the highest type, where people are taking up homes, and capital coming in daily. That is the kind of a place to invest your money—where growth is advancing by leaps, as is the case now in this favored land. At present I have over three thousand (3000) acres to select from. I have in a few instances some snags—being some relinquishments, that can be had cheap for the value they possess. The soil and location on these are the best; they are matchless. I have one tract of patented land that can be had for \$100 an acre, and a permanent water right goes

with it. It is level, fenced, has a cabin and well on it, well drained, on the canals; it's a snap. Read the brief report on this project by Professor Lyman, of Whitman College:

Walla Walla, Wash., 12-7, 1909.

Having been for a number of years a resident of the Inland Empire and having become quite familiar with the resources at various points throughout the region, I can say understandingly that the vast tract of land on the lower Umatilla River in Oregon is the coming country of the Columbia Basin. This country is in its infancy, but the developments thus far made demonstrate conclusively that its capacity is unsurpassed.

Of all the different diversions of this general region, that of the Western Land & Irrigation Company is one of the most promising. I have never seen a better outlook for a region of fine homes, productive industries and enhancing prices. It is about as sure as anything in human affairs can be that any investment in this district will be very profitable.

Soil is marvelous even for this country, climate is of the best for all kinds of fruit and alfalfa, and transportation facilities by rail and steamboats are of the best.

Home-seekers can hardly make a mistake in locating in this favored land. W. D. LYMAN, Professor of History in Whitman College and Author of "History and Description of the Columbia River."

I am prepared to show you all I have herein stated. Arrange to make a trip over this project with me. Ask for a book descriptive of these lands. You will find me courteous and willing to furnish you all the facts of this region. Don't allow this to pass until you have given it a thorough investigation. That is what we want you to do—to investigate, and to investigate at once.

For All Particulars Address

# W. J. Starbush

516 E. Main St., Walla Walla, Wash.

### BROKAW WARNED WIFE OF DIVORCE

"Sunday Night Party" Caused First Threat of Separation.

### WOMAN NERVOUS ON STAND

Witness Says Mrs. Frank Gould and Two Men Stayed Over Night. Denies There's "Another Man." Tells of Love Messages.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—It developed today in the trial of the divorce suit of Mrs. W. Gould Brokaw that it was her husband who first threatened to sue. A telegram from him to Mrs. Blair, his mother-in-law, was the medium of this information and it also contained his version of the incident that assumed the greater importance in today's session of the trial. The telegram follows: "I have closed my house and am sorry to say I must see Mary for a separation party last Sunday night forces me to this step. She entertained three ladies and three men that day. Two of the ladies I do not approve of and the third I do not know at all. I do not know the men. She allowed one man to occupy my bedroom over night after putting my nurse and one lady in bachelors' quarters. She refused to give me the names of the men in spite of my request."

**Mrs. Brokaw Stands Ground.**  
John F. McIntyre, Mr. Brokaw's lawyer, began drilling into all the attendant circumstances of this "culminating house party" with great circumstantiality. Mrs. Brokaw parried his questions as skillfully as ever but showed some agitation over the insistence laid on the personality of "Bunnie" Wells, one of the guests.

Mrs. Brokaw testified that she had first met Mr. Wells in Baltimore five years before, his visit to her husband's home in company with Miss Nan Dennison, of Syracuse, N. Y. Mrs. Frank Gould, and another man whom Mrs. Brokaw only remembered as "a Mr. Thompson."

Mr. McIntyre was desirous to know how the upstairs rooms of the house were arranged and what rooms she occupied on the night of the party.

**Rooms Not Connected.**  
"Wasn't Mr. Brokaw's room connected with yours?" he asked.  
"No, the door from Mr. Brokaw's room opens on the hall."

"And did it not open so near the door of your room that from your door you

could have shaken hands with a person standing in the other?"

"I never tried, Mr. McIntyre."  
"Well, now, where did you assign Miss Dennison to sleep?"  
"In Mr. Brokaw's room."  
"Wasn't there some change? Wasn't Mr. Wells finally given that room?"  
"Yes."

**Wells Prepared to Stay All Night.**  
"Did Mr. Wells come prepared to stay all night?"  
"I think he did."

Mrs. Brokaw's eyes were as bright and twinkling as ever when she entered the courtroom and consulted for a moment with her lawyer. She testified that on two occasions she had cabled from Paris for money with which to pay her traveling expenses.

"It is not true that I ever said I wanted to get a divorce from my husband so that I could marry another man," replied Mrs. Brokaw, sharply, to one of McIntyre's interrogations. Counsel asked Mrs. Brokaw if her husband had not, on one occasion, walked into her room and, laying flowers down on her bed, remarked that he would rather be putting flowers on her coffin. The witness had no recollection of such an incident.

Love messages by telegraph instead of telephone came prominent into play when Mrs. Brokaw was at Great Neck and her husband was in the South. In these messages, Mrs. Brokaw said she was "keeping her promises," and was "very good," and not infrequently the telegrams concluded with "love" or "much love."

Mrs. Brokaw was excused from the stand after five days of testimony. Her counsel intimated that he would soon produce nurses, maids and other witnesses to corroborate Mrs. Brokaw's stories of broken doors and uproarious nights.

### 262 MEN PERISH IN MINE

Japanese Steamer Brings News of Colliery Disaster.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 14.—Details were brought by the steamer Montezuma, which arrived today from Japan, of the colliery tragedy at Onoura, Fukuoka Prefecture, November 24, involving loss of 262 lives, but 43 of the miners escaping after an explosion. The mine is one of the largest in Southern Japan, employing 4755 miners, whose output is 44,000 tons monthly.

A survivor's story is as follows: "I was working 1350 feet from the shaft when the explosion occurred, being followed by dense black smoke. The electric lights were extinguished and I hurried into miners' rushing for safety, eventually being knocked unconscious by a fall. I was rescued by one of the miners and carried to the shaft."

The escaped miners all told of tumbling over dead bodies. The mine management gave \$100 to the family of each victim and is providing for the bereaved.

### VOTAW IS NAMED AGAIN

Tacoma Postmaster in Line With Policy of President Taft.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 14.—Henry L. Votaw, postmaster at Tacoma, Wash., has been reappointed for another four years, because his record is satisfactory to the Post-

office Department and apparently acceptable to the people of Tacoma. His term expired last Sunday.

Representative McCrede, of the district in which Tacoma lies, was informed of this fact and asked if he cared to be heard. At a conference with the Postmaster-General, he learned that it is President Taft's policy to continue in office all postmasters who render good service and maintain their official and personal standing.

Ex-Postmaster John B. Cromwell, P. R. Keith, A. B. Taylor and C. E. Clancy all were candidates for Votaw's place.

### FIGHT UPSETS LAMP, 7 DIE

Cincinnati Tenement Burns, Seven Hurt, 50 Barely Escape.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—Seven persons lost their lives, seven were injured, two probably fatally and about 50 others had narrow escapes from death in a fire which destroyed a four-story tenement and lodging-house here early today. The fire started from the upsetting of a kerosene lamp during a quarrel between tenants.

The building was an old wooden affair and the flames spread rapidly to the stairways and halls, cutting off the escape of many. Some rushed to the windows and others to the roof. The firemen and policemen rescued many of them, but others were too terrified to heed the cries of the rescuers, and threw themselves from the windows. Some of these were caught in blankets below, but others fell to the sidewalk.

### ARMY DESERTER CAUGHT

Negro, Who Tired of Soldier's Life, Candidate for Alcatraz.

Patrolman Small "spotted" George Harris, a deserter from the United States Army, at Fourth and Washington streets last night. He was taken to police headquarters and detained on a minor charge. The Federal authorities will be notified today of the capture.

At police headquarters Harris, who is colored, admitted his identity and stated that he deserted nine days ago from his company at Fort George Wright, Spokane, Wash.

"I shot got tired of army life—been in the service most six years. Ah got a medal for expert rifleman, too." He displayed the necessary credentials.

### WORD GIVES NEW TRIAL

Member of St. Louis Council Again Up for Bribery.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Ferd Warner, ex-member of the House of Delegates, went to trial today for the second time on a charge of accepting a bribe. At a previous trial he was convicted and his punishment was fixed at two years' imprisonment, but the verdict was set aside by the Supreme Court because the word "he" was left out of that portion of the indictment which said that his action was against the peace and dignity of "the" state.

### Women Would Be Eagles.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—This city will have the first woman's auxiliary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, if the effort now under way is successful. Application for a permit for the establishment of Aerle No. 1 will be made early next week. If sanction is secured, a ritual will be adopted at once.

A fine display of ladies' alligator bags at Harris Trunk Co.

### RACE DOWN COAST WINS HIM DINNER

Loss of Large Part of Cargo Gives No Worry When Prize Is Turkey.

### GALES DELAY RIVAL BOATS

Captain Burnmeister, of Schooner Balboa, Is First to Reach San Pedro in Start Made by Three Schooners From Tacoma.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Captain Burnmeister berthed his schooner Balboa triumphantly last night at San Pedro, and today appealed to the wireless for tidings of the two masters Nokomis and the Lottie Bennett.

He had left them away in the ruck in a race for Christmas dinner from Tacoma to the harbor of Los Angeles. The matter of having scattered 20,000 feet of lumber from his deckload, and pieces of upper equipment worth more than \$1000 for his Christmas feast did not lessen the ardor of his joy.

**Other Vessels Unheard From.**  
What has happened to the other vessels in this maritime Marathon for cranberries and turkey is yet to be learned. The three ships loaded at Tacoma, where the three skippers agreed that the last one to arrive at San Pedro should settle the Yuletide bill for the other two.

At the Straits of San Juan de Fuca

the sea outside was too rough for such small craft. Ten days they laid at anchor in Clallam Bay. They nosed outside the headlands on November 27 in a fierce gale. The Nokomis and Lottie Bennett put about for safety, but the Balboa, failing to make headway back to the harbor, had to run for it in the open sea.

**Lumber Cargo Scatters.**  
The wind, which had a slant shorewards, increased to 70 miles an hour. Stripped to stay sails, Captain Burnmeister ran before the wind with the helm hard down, the rail buried and starboard scuppers awash.

His only hope was in keeping off the rocks. Waves stripped the fastenings of the lumber on deck and scattered it far and wide. Cargo booms, gangway ladders and everything else movable disappeared in the spindrift.

**YAMHILL MILLION RICHER**  
Assessment Rolls of Ten Towns Show Big Increase.

MINNIVILLE, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The ten incorporated cities and towns of Yamhill County are nearly \$1,000,000 richer than they were a year ago, according to the assessment rolls.

Assessed valuation of property in the several municipalities for 1909 is:—McMinnville, \$1,544,323; Newberg, \$953,773; Sheridan, \$370,414; Carlton, \$212,140; North Yamhill, \$152,685; Dayton, \$150,970; Lafayette, \$120,040; Amity, \$122,722; Dundee, \$74,130; Willamina, \$71,375. Their total valuation is \$5,859,983.

The increase is marked in all of the cities and towns with the exception of Carlton, which shows a decrease of \$67,716 from last year's valuations.

**Faculty Will Supervise.**  
OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The School Board has ruled that all plays or entertainments given by the public schools shall be with the consent and approval of the faculty. This step is to place control of students' amusements in the hands of the faculty. Another High School teacher is found necessary.

**Farmers Prepare to Sow.**  
MINNIVILLE, Or., Dec. 14.—(Spe-

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