

STATE'S PROGRESS SURPRISES US

Work on Irrigation Projects in Eastern Oregon Is Well Under Way.

TRIP COVERS 1000 MILES

Engineer Views Carey Act Systems That Will Reclaim Thousands of Acres of Desert Land—Settlers Already Pouring In.

SALEM, Or., July 18.—(Special).—After traveling 1000 miles through Central and Southern Oregon, half of the distance by automobile and stage, State Engineer John H. Lewis is back at the State Capitol and reports that development work and advancement of Carey act projects are a revelation to him.

"During the past few years the development work has been remarkable," he asserts. At Prineville they are expecting a big rush of settlers because of the recent opening of the road land grants and prospects are bright for a branch of the Oregon Trunk up Crooked River.

"At Laidlaw the indications point to a reorganization of the Columbia South-western project and it is probable construction work will be resumed for the purpose of reclamation of 20,000 acres of valuable land.

"Irrigation development is causing signal activity at Bend. In addition to this factor, timber, railroad construction and water power development are all opening a great era for that already prosperous community. Lots that sold for next to nothing on the main street of the town 10 years ago are now going at \$4000. Many new houses are being erected and a great rush of settlers is expected.

Water for Thousands of Acres. "Forty miles south of Bend heavy machinery is being assembled and construction work is beginning on an irrigation project to water 20,000 acres. Development work here is in charge of the Deschutes Land Company. The main line of the Oregon Trunk will go directly through this project and the Natron-Klamath line is to pass within a few hundred feet of the dam site in Great Lake, which supplies water for the project. La Pine is the townsite for this development work and there is now talk of moving Rowland, the old town, to La Pine so that it will be on the railroad. From La Pine already existing work is being carried on over the mountain. Every blast is cheerful news to the people of the Deschutes.

"At Paisley the 12,000-acre Carey act project is being delayed because of conflict in water rights.

"At Lakeview the dam and the main canal of a 50,000-acre private project are nearly complete and the land under the canal sold.

Warner Valley Interests. "Perhaps of all prospective projects in Southern Oregon the one in Warner Lake Valley I found had more numerous interesting features. This is 40 miles east of Lakeview and 330,000 acres expended in surveys looking to the development of 100,000 acres of land. This valley is 80 miles long and runs from five to 15 miles in width, between rock bluffs 2000 feet high. The land here will be developed by the state under the Carey act. The company doing the work is under \$7000 bonds to make a complete investigation and is apparently going ahead in good faith, notwithstanding there are immense obstacles blocking the path.

"A canal of 1000 second-foot capacity will have to be constructed for 15 miles along an almost vertical rock cliff and three miles of dikes, 40 to 50 feet in height, must be constructed across a peat bog, in addition to several storage lakes, long flumes and inverted siphons.

"The state engineer had planned that the water turned in the canal would flow without any signs of alkali appearing in the field.

"Perhaps the greatest development was noticed in a north-western corner of Lake County at Fort Rock, or Christmas Lake Valley. Where a few years ago were the waste places, nothing but sagebrush and jackrabbits, now there are dry farming homesteads as far as the eye can reach and the country is all under fence. Domestic water is secured at from 15 to 20 feet and precipitation is sufficient to raise certain crops, mostly grain.

Growth at Klamath Rapid. "Klamath Falls has also shown great substantial growth, due largely to the government reclamation project and recent completion of the railroad. It will probably be but 15 months before the Natron-Klamath line is finished.

The state engineer had planned that his trip should include counties in Southeastern Oregon, but was called back on office work and deferred investigation to come into the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, most of them indicating better school facilities and increased attendance and enrollment over last year. Some counties show slight decreases in enrollment, but it is notable that most of these nevertheless enjoy increased receipts and the teachers are paid higher wages, even showing a slight falling off in expenditures.

VICTIM OF EXPOSITION BUILDING FIRE IS BURIED IN OREGON CITY.

FREDERICK REEF PRICE, WIFE AND FAMILY.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 18.—(Special).—Funeral services over the body of Frederick Reef Price, son of the late R. D. Price and Mrs. Price of this city, who died in Portland on Friday morning from burns received during the big fire in Portland, while trying to save the lives of his friends, were held from the home of his mother in this city on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. Holt, of Portland, officiating.

Many friends of the deceased in this city and from Portland attended the services. The body was laid to rest in Mountain View Cemetery beside his father, who died in this city, 13 years ago. The pallbearers were friends of the deceased, five of whom were in active service in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war, when Mr. Price took an active part, being a member of Company M, of Hubbard. They were Edward McFarland, Ed Schoenheitz, Fred Humphry, Theodore Miller, Charles Burns, of this city, and J. Wells, of Portland. Many handsome floral pieces covered the grave.

Frederick R. Price was born at Glamorganshire, Wales, February 15, 1868, and came with his parents to the United States when 15 months old. Nine years ago he married Miss Mary Sullivan, at Vancouver, Wash. Six years ago Mrs. Price died, leaving her husband and two little children—Reva, who is with an aunt at Seattle, and Margaret, of this city, who is residing with her grandmother, Mrs. Krueger.

Mr. Price left, besides his mother, Mrs. R. D. Price—two sisters, Mrs. Annie Mann, of Sellwood, Or.; Miss Florence Price, of this city, and three brothers, John Price, of Eastern Oregon; Milton and Calvin Price, of this city.

thing, still show higher wages for instructors.

The Benton County schools during the last term the enrollment was 2232, an increase of 175. The receipts were \$106,111.06, an increase of \$58,000.08. The disbursements were \$89,541.12. The average salary paid male teachers in Benton County was \$69.46 a month, an increase of \$1.47 over last year. The average salary for females was \$58.41, an increase of \$1.21.

The Morrow County enrollment was 1099, a slight falling off from the previous year. Receipts showed a gain of \$463.61, being \$1,122.58. The average monthly wage of male teachers was \$75.32, an increase of \$6.82 over 1909, and females, \$62.21, a gain of \$2.30.

The Morrow County enrollment was 697, a decline of 13. Receipts and disbursements showed a falling off of \$30,000.00. The average salary for male teachers' wages increased \$3.31, being \$67.12. The average salary for females was \$41.33, a gain of \$1.36.

The Coos County enrollment was 2363, a gain of 70. Receipts and disbursements were lower than in 1909, but male teachers' salaries averaged \$4.50 higher and females' \$2.85. The average salary paid males was \$66.33 and females \$50.12.

Sherman County's changes from the previous year were slight. The average salary for female teachers increased \$2.07, being \$55.67. The average wage paid males was \$78.34.

Lincoln County enrollment was 1571, a gain of 167. Increases are shown in other statistics, including a rise of an average of \$6.40 in the average wages paid female teachers.

WANDERVEER IS BEATEN

SEATTLE'S PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LOSES HIS FIGHT.

Authority to Employ Special Detectives Revoked by King County Commissioners.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—(Special).—Prosecuting Attorney George Vanderveer's authority to employ special detectives in his office was today revoked by the County Commissioners and Vanderveer notified that the Board would not allow for salaries and expenses for the prosecutor's sleuths after today. The resolution was introduced by Commissioner M. J. Carrigan and adopted unanimously. "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of King County, that the Prosecuting Attorney of King County be and is hereby notified that the Board heretofore given him to employ special agents in his office to serve under his direction, hereby revokes and he is hereby notified that this Board will not allow or pay any bills for salaries or expenses of special agents in the employ of the Prosecuting Attorney of King County from and after this date, July 18, and, be it further

Resolved, that the clerk of this Board be notified to forward to the Board a certified copy of this resolution to the Prosecuting Attorney for his information and guidance in the premises."

Commissioner Carrigan severely criticized the non-action of the prosecutor's detectives and the Sheriff in enforcing the law. He made it plain that he was impelled to take such a course as he believed that Vanderveer and Sheriff Hodge had reached what he termed a "working understanding" by the terms of which certain alleged lawbreakers were being protected. He insisted that if the prosecutor and Sheriff could work together in that instance they should be compelled to work together for the enforcement of the law and put it up to Hodge to supply Vanderveer with Deputy Sheriffs to do all the detective work necessary in gathering evidence. Carrigan issued a long formal statement giving his views in the matter.

DOUBT THROWN ON MERGER

New \$7,000,000 Concern Said Not to Have Secured Control of Mines.

SUMPTER, Or., July 18.—The incorporation of the Sampson Company, the \$7,000,000 concern, which has announced its purposes in the Burns district, and the North Pole mine, makes a like statement. Since no steps have been taken to secure the properties named, which would be necessary to make the consolidation a success, many here believe the announcement of the merger is premature.

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BILLS TITLES

Total of 32 Initiative and Referendum Measures Up to People.

SUFFRAGE RIGHT SOUGHT

New Counties Wanted, Women Would Vote, Creation of Railroad Districts, Only Few of Matters Up for Fall Vote.

SALEM, Or., July 18.—(Special).—After taking the initiative and referendum General and the office of the Secretary of State have completed the ballot titles for the 32 initiative and referendum measures which will be submitted to the people at the next general election.

The ballot titles indicate how the proposed measures originated and contain a brief synopsis of their contents. They are as follows: PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION—Women taxpayers amendment, granting to all taxpayers, regardless of sex, the right of suffrage, 309 yes; 301 no. REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—An act to amend the purchase of a site for and the construction of a branch line of the same to be located in the city of Astoria, 311 yes; 310 no.

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and providing for the revision of the proposed Constitution, 302 yes; 302 no. REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and providing for the revision of the proposed Constitution, 302 yes; 302 no.

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PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION—An act to create a board of commissioners of fine members, the subject of employee's indemnity for injuries sustained in the course of their employment, and to prepare a measure to be presented to the Legislature governing the same, and report to the governor of the state on or before the 1st day of February, 1911, and appropriate money for purposes of the act, 342 yes; 342 no.

PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION—An act to prohibit the taking of fish from the waters of Rogue River, or of any of its tributaries, by any person, except with hook and line, commonly known as "cutthroat fishing," 342 yes; 342 no.

PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION—An act to provide for the creation of new municipalities, and to provide for the election of officers and adjustment of the amount of the debt of such municipalities, and the method of procedure to create the same, 352 yes; 352 no.

PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION—An amendment of section 19 of article 18 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, permitting counties to incur indebtedness beyond \$5000 to build permanent roads, and providing that debts for permanent roads may be incurred on approval of a majority of those voting on the question, 354 yes; 354 no.

COURT OPENS AT ALBANY

Suit Over Mining Property Promises to Be Important.

ALBANY, Or., July 18.—(Special).—With 63 cases on the docket, Judge William Galloway convened the June term of department No. 1, State Circuit Court for Linn County, in this city this afternoon. Seventeen of the cases are suits for divorce.

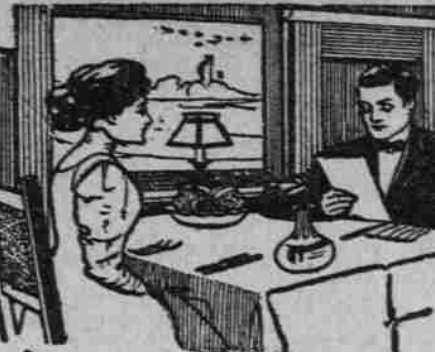
The leading case which will be tried this week is that of the Advance Mining & Milling Company vs. E. O. Smith, which is a contest over the title of mining property in the Quartzville district in Linn County, caused by the fact that some claims overlap. This case has been pending almost four years.

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