

POWER PLANTS IN IDAHO PURCHASED

J. S. and W. S. Kuhn Invest Millions in Boise Electric Line.

CURRENT USES ARE TRIPLE

Pittsburg Millionaires Reputed to Desire Monopoly of Roads, Snake River to Be Harassed for Irrigation.

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 9.—(Special.)—One of the largest business deals closed in Southern Idaho in years took place this week when the Kuhn interests, represented by J. S. and W. S. Kuhn, multi-millionaires, of Pittsburg, premier irrigation tract builders of Southern Idaho, purchased the holdings of the Boise & Interurban Railway Company, of Boise, the Boise Valley, Caldwell and intervening points. The deal included the transfer of securities of between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

There are three independent electric power lines in operation in Boise at the present time, the Boise & Interurban, the Boise Valley and the Boise Railway. Negotiations are now said to be under way for the purchase by the Kuhn of the two remaining lines, the Boise Valley and the Boise Railway, giving to them a complete monopoly and to this city one system of electric lines.

The Kuhn now own a chain of power plants, estimated in millions, from Twin Falls in the east, along the Snake River in Southern Idaho in Boise, and on and near the Snake River. Including their plan to control all power plants in this section of the state to feed Southern Idaho with electricity for power, heating, irrigation, pumping and heating purposes.

Boise is Power Hub. Boise is to be the hub of the electric power scheme and through the purchase of the Boise & Interurban, including its \$1,000,000 power plant at Swan Falls on the Snake River, the Kuhn have centered in this portion of Idaho.

W. E. Pierce, president of the Boise & Interurban, went to Pittsburg some weeks ago in connection with the transfer. The Kuhn in the meantime made an inspection of the company's holdings and then continued to Pittsburg, where the negotiations were consummated.

The Boise & Interurban was incorporated four years ago for \$5,000,000. The control of the stock was held by the Kuhn, with J. S. Kuhn, president, and J. H. McKinley, E. H. Jennings, Colonel J. M. Guffey, J. J. Fisher, Julian Kennedy and Michael Murphy, of Philadelphia, W. E. Pierce, of the real estate firm of W. E. Pierce & Company, of this city, induced the Eastern capitalists to invest in the road and he was elected president of the Interurban company paid from the time the first cars were run over the 32 miles of track between Boise and Caldwell.

Electric Control Planned. The main object of the Kuhn in gaining control of power plants in this state is to generate electricity by the Snake that may be used to hoist water in higher level irrigation purposes. It is claimed that thousands of acres are being reclaimed in this manner. A second purpose is to generate electricity for power and lighting in the city, the towns and cities along the Snake or tributary to it, including Weller, Payette, Ontario, Parma, Kuna, Caldwell, Nampa, Boise, Moscow, Glendale, Perry, Bliss, Gooding, Shoshone, American Falls, Mintooka, Richfield, Twin Falls, Jerome, Wendell, Burley and other towns. The third object is to use the surplus current for heating purposes, furnishing it at a greater cost than that of the coal supplied this section.

Taft Speaks at Seattle

(Continued From First Page.) Burlington, Mount Vernon and Everett, making brief speeches in each place. Mr. Taft's first speech of the day was delivered at Bellingham. He predicted the opening for traffic of the Panama Canal by July 1, 1912, and said that Canada was going to be some day but not adopted the reciprocity treaty and talked for a few minutes about conservation.

President Tells Secret. In speaking of the opening of the Panama Canal the President said he would let the people know what he has "into a little official confidence." "If nothing untoward happens," he said, "you can count on the completion of the canal not later than the first of July, 1912. It has only been promised on the last of January, 1912, and therefore, if it is not ready until then, you must not say that anybody made a promise that it would be completed before."

I am expressing a hope based on calculation, but, of course, man proposes and God disposes. Mr. Taft said that it made no difference what policy was adopted in regard to tolls or management of the canal, for the people were certain to see that arrangements were made so as to make it profitable to ship goods through the waterway.

Japanese Honor President. Before leaving the speaker's platform at Bellingham, some Takigama, a pretty little Japanese woman, representing the Japanese Society of Bellingham, presented to the President a bouquet.

With Mrs. Takigama were her two little daughters, both wearing flowing silken garments and both unshaven at their proximity to greatness. One little girl showed an early fondness for brass buttons by clinging to the knee of Major Burr, the President's aide, and remaining there, blissfully inattentive to the oratory of Mr. Taft, while the party staved the platform. The Major brushed, but acted temporary godfather as if he liked it.

Taft to Break Fair Ground. President Will Hand Spade at Big Panama Exposition Next Saturday. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9.—The ground-breaking for the Panama-Pacific Exposition, at which President Taft will officiate next Saturday, promises to be one of the most notable celebrations in San Francisco's history. A military and naval parade will precede the ceremonies in the stadium at Golden Gate Park and elaborate exercises, consisting in part of choral singing and of addresses by President Taft, Governor Johnson, Mayor McCarthy and Charles C. Moore, president of the Exposition, will be given.

A solid silver spade with redwood handle, embossed with silver, will be

used by President Taft in turning over the first sod to mark the commencement of the great fair.

The President will arrive on Friday evening in time to attend a banquet at one of the principal hotels, at which covers for 1000 guests will be laid.

CHILDREN TO HEAR ADDRESS

First Infantry Band to Come on Taft Train From Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—President Taft will be in Vancouver from 4:30 o'clock until 4:40 o'clock, October 11, and will deliver a short speech. All of the children from the State School for the Deaf, from the local Catholic convent, and from the city schools, will be taken to the train to see the President.

The First Infantry band, from Vancouver Barracks, will play, and a car to carry the band to Portland will be attached to the President's special here. Colonel McGinnis will accompany President Taft to Portland.

President Taft will speak from his car, which will be switched to the North Bank track, on the east side of the station.

COLLEGE CHEERS AWAIT TAFT

University of Washington Students Practice Noise-Makers.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—One thousand howling, roaring university students led by their yell leaders, will gather tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the corner of Union and Fourth streets and will be divided into 12 squads each of which will do its best to make the President realize it is there. Captains of these squads are busy perfecting their organizations and such yelling as has never been heard will issue from the throats of these savants of higher education when the President passes in the giant parade.

A whole holiday has been granted the students.

\$5000 IS SUM ASKED

PORTLAND TO ENTERTAIN ALASKA BROTHERHOOD.

Business Men of City Are Requested to Contribute for Pleasure of Visitors.

Portland business men will be asked by the Alaska Club, of this city, to subscribe to a fund of \$5000 that is desired for the entertainment of the Arctic Brotherhood when it holds its annual convention here November 14-16, inclusive. The Arctic Brotherhood is a fraternal organization, consisting of the representative bankers, merchants, miners and business men of British Columbia, Alaska and Yukon. This will be the first time the organization has convened in Portland, and it is expected that 500 delegates and visitors will be attracted here by the meeting.

At a meeting last night, the Alaska Club appointed the following committee, which will solicit subscriptions to the entertainment fund: F. W. Swanton, general manager Columbia Milling Company; R. Reinson, president, Reinson Machinery Company; A. H. Devera, president Closset & Devera; W. M. Killingsworth, ex-president Portland Realty Board; Sam Connell, president American Bank & Trust Company; R. W. Raymond, of the publicity department of the Commercial Club, and F. A. Freeman, assistant cashier Lumbermen's National Bank.

The value to Portland of this convention will consist of the opportunity offered for extending acquaintances among the business men of this city and dealers in the north. The ultimate result, it is predicted by members of the Alaska Club, will be to increase materially the volume of business between the merchants of the extreme northwestern countries and wholesalers and jobbers in this city.

ABERDEEN IS HOST AGAIN

Grays Harbor Wants Portland to Attend Development League Meet.

E. C. Miller, president of the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce, visited Portland a second time yesterday as an emissary from the Grays Harbor committee to invite business men of Portland to be their guests in Aberdeen at the convention of the Southwestern Washington Development League, to be held October 12, 13 and 14. The development of the Olympic Peninsula and the problem of utilizing the agricultural resources of logged-off lands are the principal topics of discussion at the convention. Prominent men from the important cities of Washington are to take part.

The Portland Commercial Club is planning to arrange for an excursion of business men to Aberdeen for one day of the convention at least, and the committee in Aberdeen is arranging an elaborate entertainment for its visitors.

Mr. Miller says that a movement is on foot among the Grays Harbor cities to make November 23 the anniversary of the opening of the Chashals bridge, which gave them a direct outlet into the markets of Western Oregon, an anniversary which will be celebrated in Aberdeen, and the details of the excursion from Portland will be taken in charge by the promotion bureau of the Commercial Club. Mr. Miller was accompanied to this city by J. S. Thornton, manager of the Grays Harbor Development Company, who will return with him today.

DESTRUCTION IS ALLOWED

Liquor Seized After Violation of Law Is Interdicted.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Crawford has received a writ from A. V. Clark, Justice of the Peace at Richland, Or., as to whether a magistrate has authority to order the destruction of intoxicating liquors destroyed, the language of the local option law giving him no discretion in the matter.

North Bend Gets Postal Bank.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—A postal savings bank is to be established at the postoffice in North Bend this month. The bank in Marshfield has been a success as far as amounts of deposits are concerned and it is believed that in North Bend a postal savings bank will have like patronage. The postmaster of Marshfield has been notified that the free mail delivery in Marshfield will be installed February 1 next.

MEN SHRIEK FROM M'NAMARAS' JURY

So Fluent Are Veniemen in Excuses, List Is Weeded Down to 45.

JAMES FIRST, IS REPORT

Three Citizens Fall to Report to Court, One Being Dead, Another in Europe and Third Is Out of Country.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9.—The trial of the McNamara brothers here, both of whom are under indictment charging murder in connection with the explosion which wrecked the Los Angeles Times plant October 1, 1910, was virtually begun here today before Superior Judge Walter Bordwell, although perhaps nobody except District Attorney Fredericks knew whether John J. or James B. McNamara would sit in the prisoner's chair when the case was called formally to trial after tomorrow.

Many indications pointed to James B. McNamara as the first man to be tried. Of the 125 men named in the first venire of prospective jurors, 122 responded to a call for preliminary examination, and at the close of court Judge Bordwell had weeded this number down to 45, who were instructed to return Wednesday. Counsel for both sides agreed that this short-cut saved days of arduous work.

Three Fall to Report. One of the three men who failed to respond is dead, another is in Europe and the other is out of the country. A number of veniemen pleaded deafness "when people speak low," and several said their wives had been nervous ever since subpoena had been received.

W. M. White, a man of advanced years, said he was subject to nervous headaches unless he went to bed at 9 o'clock. S. W. Upton said he was building two schoolhouses, and had to finish them. Both were excused, as were all others who were able to show that their business would suffer if they became jurors in a trial of long duration.

Clergyman Is Excused. Rev. W. D. Trostle was excused because he is a clergyman, and Charles Christie, a tailor, was found not to be a citizen and got away.

Attorneys Clarence Darrow and LeCompte Davis, for the defense, watched the process. Whoever man goes on trial for murder Wednesday, the defense, it was said tonight, will be the same—that the Times building was destroyed by gas and fire and not by dynamite and fire.

Out beyond the hills north of town there has been conducted a secret explosion experiment station, where repeated discharges of gas and dynamite have plowed up the earth in order that any difference in the action of the explosives might be shown.

Toy Building Made. Besides the results of these experiments, spectators at the trial will see a toy business building, complete to the most minute detail, set on a table before the jury. This structure is a model of the Los Angeles Times building, with one side cut away to show tiny printing presses, linotypes, desks and all the machinery of a great newspaper office.

By the model the defense hopes to demonstrate the effects of the explosion in accordance with its theory. There will not be a session of court tomorrow because of a state-wide election on proposed constitutional amendments.

By agreement today between attorneys for both sides, the re-examination of Attorney John R. Harrington, of counsel for the McNamaras, before the grand jury, was postponed for resetting. This was done to permit Attorney Darrow and his assistants and District Attorney Fredericks to attend the examination of the venire of jurorsmen for the McNamara trial.

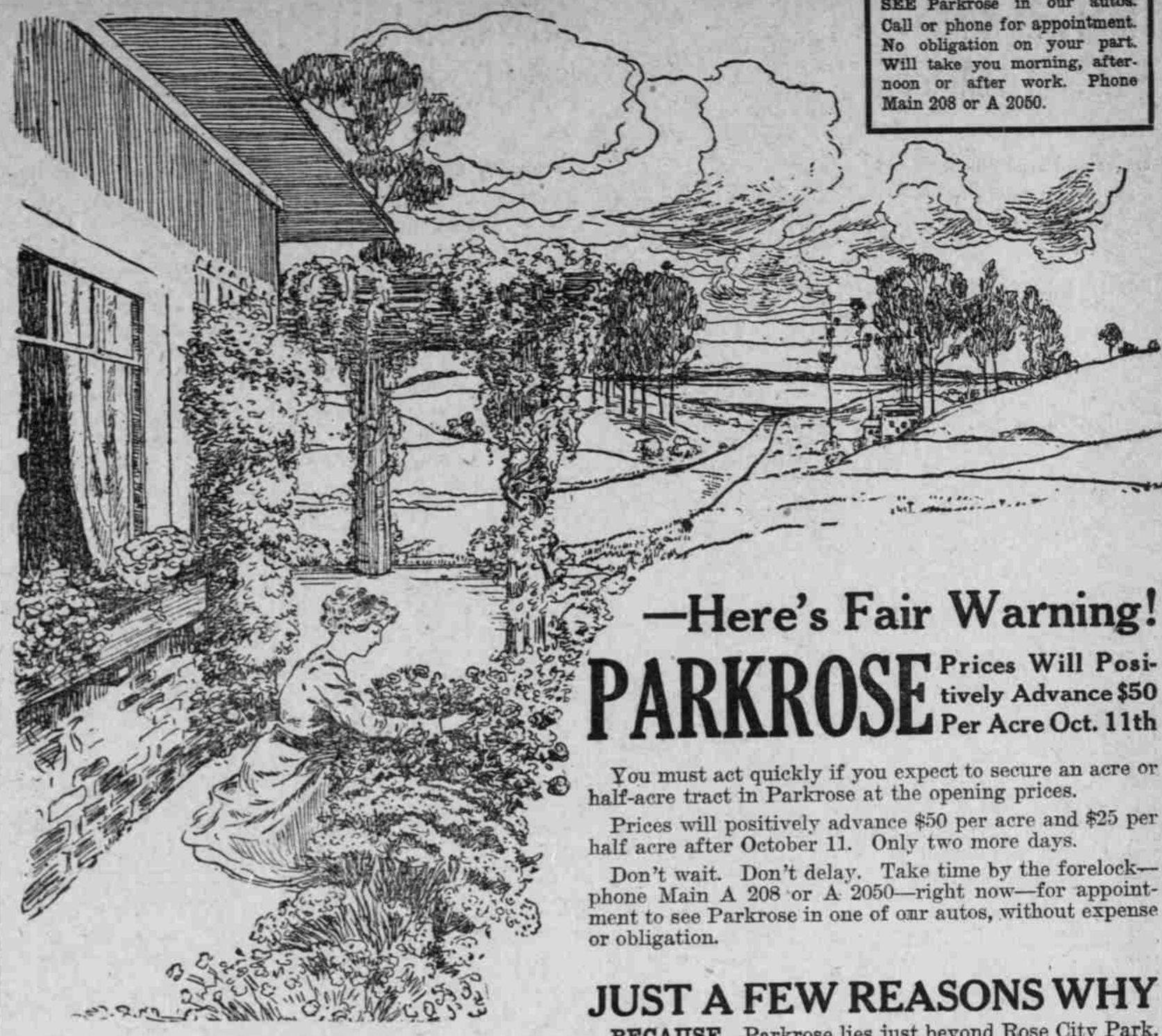
BUSYBODY HITS KRAFT

Autoist Resents Advice Which Is Followed by Blow on Nose.

Because he objected to being told how to mend his automobile when it was stalled on Grand avenue last night, and resented having matches lit under the engine, O. E. Kraft, of Aberdeen, and the details of the excursion from Portland will be taken in charge by the promotion bureau of the Commercial Club. Mr. Miller was accompanied to this city by J. S. Thornton, manager of the Grays Harbor Development Company, who will return with him today.

Ashland Takes Big Premiums.

ASHLAND, Or., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—Ashland exhibitors seem to have carried off most of the big fruit and poultry premiums offered by the Rogue River Valley Industrial fair which closed at Medford today. First award was made the Ashland exhibit for the best general display of farm products. Ashland peaches won both the first and second prizes in peach exhibits and Newtown and Spitz apples from Ashland were awarded first prize for commercial pack. Walnuts and figs exhibited before them, here also swept everything before them, while there were a multitude of smaller premiums for plate and variety exhibits in the fruit and vegetable lines accorded to local exhibitors. Ashland poultry growers seem to have captured prizes right and left at the fair, too. Those who won firsts and second prizes from here being T. F. Smith, O. O. Nelson, Mrs. Henry Esterly, Albert Archibald and B. A. Whitmore.



—Here's Fair Warning! PARKROSE Prices Will Positively Advance \$50 Per Acre Oct. 11th

You must act quickly if you expect to secure an acre or half-acre tract in Parkrose at the opening prices. Prices will positively advance \$50 per acre and \$25 per half acre after October 11. Only two more days. Don't wait. Don't delay. Take time by the forelock—phone Main A 208 or A 2050—right now—for appointment to see Parkrose in one of our autos, without expense or obligation.

JUST A FEW REASONS WHY

- BECAUSE—Parkrose lies just beyond Rose City Park. BECAUSE—It is in the direct path of the city's greatest growth. BECAUSE—It only means 10 minutes more in the morning and evening. BECAUSE—It will have the most desirable improvements. BECAUSE—The Rose City Park carline will be extended to the center of the tract. BECAUSE—It is the best investment opportunity ever offered in this city. BECAUSE—You will enjoy a happier, healthier and more profitable life. BECAUSE—You can cut your living expenses squarely in two. BECAUSE—It solves THE HIGH COST OF LIVING. Remember, prices positively advance after October 11. Now's the time.

HARTMAN & THOMPSON Ground Floor, Chamber of Commerce. Fourth and Stark Sts. Phones—Main 208, A 2050.

REBELS ROB AND WRECK

2 KILLED, 15 PASSENGERS HURT THROUGH ZAPATISTS' GREED. Travelers in Mexico Lined Up and Stripped of Valuables While Two Trains Crash.

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The passengers had been lined up alongside the train and stripped of their valuables when the freight train thundered around the curve and crashed into the rear of the passenger train. There was little time to escape from the danger zone and many were struck by bits of wood and steel from the splintered coaches.

Among the injured was a British citizen named McLaughlin and his wife, of Puebla. The Zapatists proceeded to rob the freight train and its crew. According to government advices today, 1500 Zapatists have been routed by 300 federals under General Alberto Palacios.

The fight lasted from 7 o'clock Saturday night until 8 o'clock Sunday morning. Many dead and wounded from both sides are reported.

LUTHERANS MEET TODAY

Conference of Pacific Synod to Begin—Subjects Announced. The English conference of the Pacific Synod of the Lutheran Church will meet at 8 o'clock tonight at St. James' English Lutheran Church, at West Park and Jefferson streets. An all-day session will be held tomorrow, beginning at 9 A. M. The afternoon session will convene at 2 o'clock, and the evening session at 8 o'clock.

Rev. C. F. W. Steover, of Tacoma, Wash., will be the speaker tonight. Rev. Theo. Schoenberg, of Bellingham, Wash., assisting in the service. Election of officers will take place tomorrow morning. Following the business session Rev. W. E. Brinkman, of Seattle, will lead the discussion on "The Problem of the Sunday Evening Service."

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vice." Rev. William F. Holl, of Chehalis, Wash., will speak on "Our Men, and What They Can Do for the Church." Professor Streiffeler will have a paper on "Sunday School Music," and Rev. M. E. Boulton, of The Dalles, will give a report from the general council.

The speakers and subjects tomorrow afternoon will be: "Some Elements of a Successful Luther League Devotional Meeting," Rev. Mr. Schoenberg; "The Work of Young Men and Women in the Societies," Rev. C. Wilker, Medford; "Educational Work," Rev. W. C. Drahn.

Victoria, B. C.: "Church Finances," Rev. Mr. Smith, Vancouver, Wash. The subjects tomorrow night will be: "Education," Professor Frederick; "Missions," Rev. M. E. Boulton.

Fort The Pierces Eye. KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Oct. 9.—(Special.)—G. C. Mitchell, a veterinary surgeon, had his right eye put out this afternoon by the tines of a pitchfork. He was walking with the fork, holding the handle downward, when he stumbled and fell.

FALL EXCURSIONS EAST

OCTOBER 17, 18, 19—THE LAST FOR THE YEAR. We are selling to all Eastern destinations for those dates. Very material reductions from regular fares.

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