

BAKER CENTENNIAL CELEBRATED TODAY

County's Big Event Will Be Opened With Gavel, Real Marvel in Itself.

HONOR IS PAID WHITE MAN

David Littlefield, Whose Party First Discovered Gold in Vicinity in Eastern Part of State Will Be Guest at Festivities.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—George H. Himes, of Portland, curator of the State Historical Society, has sent to J. Nelson Barry, who has charge of the centennial celebration tomorrow of the coming of the first white man to Baker County a gavel that is a marvel in its historical relations.

It is composed of Oregon grape wood, the bearer of the state flower, ligum vitae, or Gualacum, taken from a tree of the Panama Railroad in 1855; spruce from the site of Astoria; the objective point of the first expedition that went through here 160 years ago; manzanita from the banks of Rich Gulch, the site of the first permanent mining camp in Oregon near Jacksonville, in Jackson County in 1830; cedar berries from the side of Fort Clatsop, established by Lewis and Clark in 1805; Royal Ann cherry from a tree which was among 100 or 200 brought across the plains to Oregon in 1847 from Iowa and planted five and one-half miles from Portland and was the starting of the fruit industry of the state; cottonwood from a tree near the site of the first sawmill in the Oregon country in 1827; white oak from a sapling in 1820; the oak that came to this state in 1842, Oregon yew from the site of Champoux, where the first effort was made to organize American civilization in 1812, which proved the starting point of Oregon as it is today, and white oak from the site of Oregon City, the first capital of Oregon Territory.

Mr. Washington Irving could yield here tomorrow he would find a much different condition from the one he would find when he wrote the famous history of those travelers who were the first white people to visit this part of the country just 160 years ago.

Things Are Different Now. While Baker is a busy place today it is not too busy to celebrate in a fitting manner the centennial of those brave people who blazed the way for the land of opportunity that is now being so rapidly developed. In the land that they found to be sage brush and privation, now are well-kept streets, modern hotels, business houses, and comfortable homes of men who have become successful in this land of promise.

It was just 30 years ago this party that David Littlefield and his party came from Portland and discovered gold in this vicinity. Mr. Littlefield was the first to discover the gold, and his greatest pleasure is to tell of how the first winter was passed, a few miles from what is now Baker.

The celebration of these two events will be a memorable one, not only for those who love history, but for the many citizens of Baker who are interested in the progress of the state. Mr. Himes is taking a great interest in the event, and will be here to give an address. Mr. Himes is a resident of Baker, and his address, while Judge S. A. Lowell and Major Lee Moorhouse, of Bendleton, will have prominent parts in the exercises.

Route of Party Found. Probably the man that will have the most to do with the observance of the day is J. Nelson Barry, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, of this city. It was he who discovered the gold, and his story contained descriptions that proved that William Flint Hunt's party went through this part of the country instead of by the devils route east of here. Mr. Barry took the matter up with historians of the Northwest and with the United States Government, with such convincing results upon the latter as to cause it to be conceded that his route of the party is correct. That his claims are well recognized is shown by the request just received from the New York publishers (Putnam Sons Company) of Irving's works that he write a special introductory to the next edition of "Astoria."

Mr. Barry has planned the program for the day. The visitors will arrive in the morning and be met by the entertainment committee of which Charles Brock is chairman and the other members are A. S. Shockley, George H. Small and Earl F. Cranston. After luncheon the party will go in automobiles over the trail of the pioneers to the famous Beaver spring, which lies on the Daniel Shaw ranch, among a multitude of other scenic chances, much different than when Hunt's party came through here.

The trip will be so arranged that the party will reach the Black Sand beach near the O.-W. R. & N. railroad bridge, where Hunt's men camped, at the exact hour of their camping at that place.

At 4 o'clock a banquet will be given at the Geiser Grand Hotel by the representative men of the city to the guests and to Mr. Littlefield, who will be a special guest. The banquet will be a work a half century ago and as the nearest representative of the time symbolic of the centennial. Dr. W. L. Parker, treasurer of the celebration committee, will have charge of the banquet. There will be plates for July 150, it is expected.

At 8 o'clock the main addresses of the celebration will be given at a public meeting in Nevins Hall. Besides the speeches of the visitors there will be those by William Smith, Judge of the Circuit Court; J. A. Churchill, superintendent of the Baker public schools, and other Baker citizens.

"LOADED" SAFE IS OPENED

Expert Neutralizes Nitro and Makes Postmaster Happy.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Dec. 27.—Joy came to Postmaster Smith here last night when Roy A. Cranmer, of Kansas City, opened the safe that had been hidden in the postoffice nearly a week with an unexpected charge of ultraviolet light around the cracks of its door. Several thousand dollars in stamps and money in the safe were undisturbed.

FOUR BAKER MEN WHO ARE PROMINENT IN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PLANS.



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GREAT GATUN DAM IS CANAL WONDER

Mighty Accomplishment Most Impressive of All Work in Panama Zone.

CHARGES UNDER CONTROL

Machine for Unloading Dirt Trains Does Work of 100 Men With Two—Railroad No Argument for Federal Ownership.

BY GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM. PANAMA, Dec. 27.—(Special Correspondence.)—It is doubtful if anywhere in the world there is more that is impressive, from the point of view of human accomplishment than is to be found at Gatun, on the Panama Canal zone. Here, in the midst of tropical jungle, in a country a few years ago world-famous for its deadly unhealthiness, the American engineers are pushing to completion the greatest lock system ever attempted and the biggest dam in the world.

Gatun is a trifle more than six miles from the Caribbean entrance to the canal. At that point the Gatun dam is being thrown across between two ranges of hills, to impound the waters of the Chagres River, which will back up for 21 miles to the locks at Pedro Miguel, on the Pacific side of the divide. In this 21 miles course Culabra river runs through the dam itself is a marvel, a veritable colossus. It is 7500 feet long, 2100 feet thick at the base, 284 feet through at that water surface and 190 feet wide at the top, which is 115 feet above sea level. It crosses two valleys separated by a hill, rising to within five feet of its top, through which will be a spillway being constructed. The maximum head of water will be 85 feet, this entailing the creation of a lake which will be the largest artificial reservoir ever made.

Gatun Lake will have an area of 164 square miles, this almost limitless water storehouse providing more than enough water, under the most adverse circumstances, to care for all the locks, which that possibly could be made. According to the data prepared by the engineers, water, under the most adverse circumstances, to care for all the locks, which that possibly could be made. According to the data prepared by the engineers, water, under the most adverse circumstances, to care for all the locks, which that possibly could be made.

Progress is Continuous. In the office of the division engineer at Gatun you will see hanging on the wall huge charts showing the status of the work from day to day. They are the "progress charts" which tell the story of the work, a glance at which shows the exact status of the division to which they belong. At Gatun, in a little office beside the dam, the chart showed that about 17,000,000 cubic yards of the total of 21,145,000 of material have been filled in. This amount of "fill" was nearly equally divided a week ago between "dry" and "wet" material, the former meaning rock brought from Culabra, 25 miles distant, the latter being mud pumped by dredges into the core of the dam from above and below it. First strong "mud" made of rock from Culabra was filled in along the upper and lower edges of the dam, and then

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WATER RIGHTS GO

Chief Justice Sees Their Abolishment in Decision.

EAKIN ADDS OPINION

Judge in Concurring Holds That Burnett's Argument in La Grande Case Gives Riparian Privilege to Appropriator Only.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—In a specially concurring opinion by Chief Justice Eakin today in the case of Caviness against the La Grande Irrigation Company, the Chief Justice put another angle on the opinion of Judge Burnett handed down yesterday, declaring that the effect of one statement in the opinion of Justice Burnett is to do away with riparian rights as heretofore recognized in this state.

The effect of that statement is to abolish or do away with riparian rights as heretofore recognized in this state. By this opinion the Chief Justice says absolutely that the riparian rights as written by Justice Burnett and concurred in by the other three members of the court is to abolish riparian rights.

The Board of Control believes it was a decided factor in future water questions coming before it. Attorneys throughout the state, who have been connected with litigation and adjudication of the doctrine of riparian rights as a defense. Under this opinion, according to the interpretation of Chief Justice Eakin, only the appropriator has a legal right to the use of water. Earlier water cases have brought out the fact that the common law doctrines are applicable in this state only where

WEBER GIRL HELD

Sister of Murdered Spokane Maid in Juvenile Jail.

BROTHER BEING WATCHED

Police Move Mysteriously in Taking First Active Step Since Crime on December 7—Father on Verge of Collapse.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Elizabeth Weber, 18 years of age, is held in the juvenile jail as a result of the investigation of the murder of her sister, Anna Weber, on Summit boulevard, December 7.

SHOOTING DEAL CLEARS

Prosecuting Attorney Says Ind. Before Death, Freed Chandler.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Edward R. Bryson, prosecuting attorney in this district, who with his fiancée is passing the holidays here, made the following statement today regarding the shooting of Jim Warner, an Indian, by Loyal Chandler, a white man. He was suffering from heart disease and apparently died from that cause. He lived a long time after being shot and a white settler on the Siletz called before the grand jury as a witness testified that Warner had told him that Chandler had shot him accidentally while showing him his revolver.

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