# 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 Guest at Festivities.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 21 .- (Special.) George H. Himes, of Portland, curster of the State Historical Society, has sent to J. Nellson Barry, who has charge of the centennial celebration temorrow 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, lignum vitae, or Gualacum, taken from a tie of the Panama Railroad in 1935; apruce from the site of Astoria, the objective from the site of Astoria, the objective point of the Hunt expedition that went through here 100 years ago; manuanita from the banks of Rich Gulch, the site of the first permanent mining camp in Ovegon hear Jacksonville, in Jackson County in 1851; sarvie betry from the side of Fort Clatsop, established by Lewis and Churk in 1805; Royal Ann cherry from a tree which was among 100 or 800 heaught across the plains to Oregon in 1847 from fowa and planted five and one-half miles from Portland and was the starting of the fruit industry of the state; dogwood from a tree near the site of the first sawmill in the Oregon country in 1827; white oak from a spoke in a wagon that came across the plains from Indiana to this state in 1841, Oregon yew from the site of Champoog, where the first effort was made to organize American civil government in 1841, which proved the starting point of Oregon as it is today, and while ask from the site of Oregon City, the first capital of Oregon Territory.

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If Washington Irving could visit here is moreow he would find a much different condition from what he told about when he wrote the famous history of those travelers who were the first white people to visit this part of the country just 100 years ago.

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

become successful in this land of promise.

It was just 50 years ago this Fall that David Littlefield and his party came from Portland and discevered gold in this vicinity. Mr. Littlefield will be the guest of honor at the festivities, for he is still hale and hearty and his greatest pleasure is to tell of hose 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 lave history, but for the many citizens of Baker who will aid in the programme. T. C. Elifott, of Walla Walls, is taking a great interest in the event, and will be here to give an address. Mr. Himes will be here to deliver an address, while Judge S. A. Lewell and Major Lee Moorehouse, of Pendleton, will have prominent parts in the exercises. the exercises.

Route of Party Found.

most to do with the observance of the tay is J. Nellson Barry, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, of this city. Stephen's Episcopal Church of this dif.
It was be who discovered that Irving's
story contained descriptions that
proved that William Price Hunt's party
went through this part of the country
instead of by the devious route east of
bers. Mr. Harry took the matter up
with historians of the Northwest and with the United States Government, with such convincing proof that it is now conceded that his route of the party is correct. That his claims are well recognized is shown by the re-quest just received from the New York publishers (Putnam Sons Company) of trying's works that he write a special introductory to the next edition of "As-

Mr. Barry has planned the pro arramme for the day. The visitors will arrive in the morning and be met by the entertainment committee, of which Charles Breck is chairman and the charies speek is chairman and the other members are A. S. Shockler, George B. Small and Earl F. Cranston. After luncheon the party will go in automebiles over the trail of the pinners to the famous Beaver spring, which lies on the Daniel Shaw ranch, among a multitude of prosperous ranches, much different than when

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

At 8 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 because of his ploneer work a half century ago and as the nearest representative of the time symbolic of the centennial. Dr. W. L. Pgrieer, treasurer of the celebration committee, will have charge of the banquet. There will be plates for fully 130, it is expected.

At 8 o'clock the main addresses of the existration will be given at a public meating in Nevius 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

### "LOADED" SAFE IS OPENED

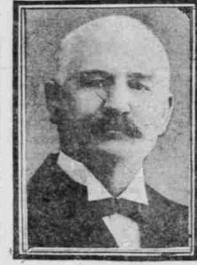
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FOUR BAKER MEN WHO ARE PROMINENT IN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PLANS.









Above, Charles Buck, Chairman Ente rininment Committee: Professor J. A. Churchill, Superintendent Baker Schools, Who Will Make Address. Helow, Judge William Smit., Who Will Spenk, and Dr. W. L. Parker, who Will

Mighty Accomplishment Most Impressive of All Work in Panama Zone.

CHAGRES UNDER CONTROL

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

GEORGE PALMER PUTNAS PANAMA, Dec. 27.—(Special Correspondence.)—It is doubtful if anywhere in the world there is more that is impreserve, from the point of view of human accomplishment than is to be found at Gatun, on the Panama Canal Party Found.

an that will have the another the healthiness, the American engineers are pushing to completion the greatest lock system ever attempted and the biggest dam in the world.

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Into a comparatively small area at Gatin are crowded examples from all the chapters of the canal construction. Every problem afforded by the various kinds of work necessary to build the canal there has been met and overcome. At Gatin there has been excavating for the locks, concrete work, hydraulic and dry excavating and filling for the great dam, the whole probing for the great dam, the whole prob-lem of caring for the Chagres River, new applications of electrical engineer-ing, transportation difficulties upon a vast scale, and, in fact, examples of every kind of problem with which the canal builders have been confronted.

Dam la Morvelous Work. Gatun is a triffe more than six miles from the Caribbean entrance to the ca-nal. At that point the Gatun dam is nal. At that possible tween two being thrown across between two ranges of hills, to impound the waters of the Chagres River, which it will back up for all miles to the locks at Pedro Miguel, on the Pacific side of the divide. In this 31 miles occurs

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the dam itself is a marvel, a veritable colossus. It is 7500 feet long. 2100
feet thick at the base, 298 feet through
that water surface and 100 feet at that water surface and 100 feet wide at the top, which is 115 feet above sea level. It crosses two valleys separ-ated by a hill, rising to within five feet of its top, through which hill the spill-way is being constructed. The maxi-mum head of water will be 35 feet, this entailing the creation of a lake which will be the largest artificial reservoir ever made.

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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 lockages that possibly could be made. According to the careful stalistice prepared by Celonel Gothals, after makpared by Colonel Goothala, after making due allowance for power consumption, evaporation, seepage and leakage in the dryest dry season, it would be possible to pass it vessels a day through the canal, and in the average dry season 55 complete passages through the canal are possible, or a greater number than the 24 hours of the day would permit, allowing vessels to follow each other at intervals of one hour.

Progress Is Continuous.

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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 foregress charts' which tell the standing in the postoffice nearly a weak with an unexploded charge of altroglycerine around the cracks of its closer. Several thousand dellars in simps and money in the mafe were undistanced.

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hetween these the mud was pumped in the toes always being kept some 15 feet above the level of the mud. And as the toes were made higher and higher they have been brought closer together from a bottom width of 2100 feet to a present average width of perhaps 1200 feet, near the final top of the dam. This means that the sides of the dam slope outwards at a slight angle for more than a quarter of a mile on both sides, giving it more the appearance of a hill than an artificial dam. This impression is aided, of course, by the rapidity with which vegetation has taken hold on the hillside walls, quickly covering them with greenery wherever there was a chance and making the completed look for all the world as if it had been there since the beginning of things.

Trains Unloaded by Machinery.

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There is little that is picturesque in the construction work at the dam. Tracks run along the tops of the "toes," between which is the alimy sea of mud between which is the sitmy sea of mud. Along these tracks come occasional trains of dirt cars, whose centerts of rock and dirt are dumped inward or outward along the toes, as demands. In some places on the big fills Lidgerweed unloaders are used. These are nothing more than plows, made of a big sheet of steel or iron, which, set at an angle to the axis of the train, are pulled from the end of the train to the engine by means of a cable, enrouts sliding along the flatters and plowing from them the dirt and rock. By this method two mon and a steam-

plowing from them the dirt and rock. By this method two men and a steam-driven spool, upon which the cable is wound, do the work of 100 men in minutes instead of hours.

As has been said, the material for the core or middle portion of the dam is supplied hydraulically. At present, four dredges are at work, two above and two below the dam. They pump the mud through 20-inch pipes, which sometimes extend for a mile from the dredge to the point where they belch their muddy contents between the sustaining rock walls of the tween the sustaining rock walls of the toes. One dredge, you are told, will pump 150,000 yards of solid material in a month forcing it for a mile without relay through the pipes. As it is delivered, only 20 per cent of this mud-and-water mixture is solid, the 80 per cent of water being drained off or pumped out from the core in-

With the Gatun Dam it is simply With the Gatun Dam it is simply a matter of stigking at it. No new problems will be presented. The dam has been criticised at times some calling it ridiculously large, others equally vehemently declaring that it is far to fragile to hold the vast amount of water behind it. However, every possible contingency has been tried out by the engineers, in careful tests with miniature models, and every possibility of silde or scenage or other conceivable of silds or scapage or other conceivable unwelcome happening has been taken into account and provided against. But the massiveness of the dam is in itself enough to convince any untechnical lay man that it is fitted to withstand any and every test which can be made upon it.

Need Proved by Mathematics. The spillway, by which the flow of the flood and normal waters of the lake will be regulated, is simply a lake will be regulated, is simply a matter of mathematical creation. There is no experimentation there, for the engineers were working with concrete exclusively, and concrete set on and between rock presents no unknown quantities. The spillway dam is built on an arc, with 14 openings, and will permit of a discharge of 140,000 cubic feet of water a second. And when it is considered that the wildest flood of the wild Chagres will be spread out over the surface of a lake of 164 square miles before it affects the water layed at the dam, it is easy to undersquare miles before it affects the water level at the dam, it is easy to under-stand what a comparatively simple matter it will be to regulate the lake's level and the flood waters with such an equipment as is provided by this

level and the flood waters with such an equipment as is provided by this gigantic spillway.

Already Gatun Lake is slowly backing up behind the dam, and spreading out over the low lands and up between the green, jungle-clad hills. Tracks have been removed from the old original line of the Panama Railroad in some places, and still greater changes will be made soon, as the waters rise greatest of which is the permanent re-location of the Panama Hallroad, which is being entirely rebuilt at cost of \$0.000.000, the location of its present life, by which the traveler crosses the continent, being flooded out by the new lake.

The Panama Railroad, by the way, has often been held up as an example of governmentally owned and operated railway, especially by those interested in seeing Federal and state control extended to common carriers. They are likely to point to the extremely profit-

As a matter of fact, no road ex-ciusively controlling the transcon-tinental route at Panama could help making money. But the governmental efficiency in connection with the op-eration of this company's railroad and steamship line is a myth, pure and

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Chief Justice Sees Their Abolishment in Decision.

EAKIN

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

SALEM, Or., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -- In specially concurring opinion by Chief Justice Eakin today in the case of Cav-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 in his specially concurring opinion that the effect of one statement in the opinion of Justice Burnett is to de away with riparlan rights as heretofore recognised in this state.

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"I concur in the result of this decision, but I cannot give my consent to the following statement: 'Primarily, any use of the water of a natural stream for a beneficial purpose is free to him who has an opportunity to take it without intringing upon the property rights of another.

Concerning the mere diversion and use of water there is no difference between a non-riparian appropriator and a riparian user, provided the former has a lawful right of access for that purpose to the stream from which the diversion is made. The essential condition of appropriation in the first place on public lands was the consent of acquiescence of the then riparian owner, the General Government. The reason of the rule is not changed by the fact that the riparian owner is a private person, provided the appropriator has his consent, or what is equivalent that the appropriatory and the riparian owner are one and the same person. The deduction, then, is that if anyene can lawfully gain access for that purpose to a nonnavigable stream and water is there not subject to use by another, such a one may appropriate it for his own use.

Riparian Rights Go.

Riparian Rights Go. '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 his interpretation of the opinion as written by fustice Hurnett and concurred in by the other three members of the court is to abolish riparian rights.

parian rights.

Should the case go to a rehearing and the stand taken be relterated, it premies to have a vastly important bearing especially on the question of adjudicate ing water rights.

The Board of Centrol believes it will be a decided factor in future water questions coming before it. Attorneys throughout the state, who have been connected with litigation and adjudication of water rights have almost universally used the doctrine of riparian rights as a defense.

Rebearing May Ensue. 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 at Sherman, Clay & Co., Morrison at are applicable in this state only where Sixth.

there is an apparent necessity for them. The doctrine of riparian ownership is a common-law doctrine, and under the in-

common-law doctrine, and under the in-terpretation in the specially concurring opinion it is evidently abolished as far as Oregon is concerned by the opinion of the majority of the court.

It is probable that this feature of the opinion will be threshed out further in event the case is given a rehearing, which is probable, owing to the differ-ence which seems to exist as to the one point involved, at least.

### ANNIVERSARY IS HONORED

OPINION Cottage Grove Couple, Wedded 57 Years, Celebrate Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Veatch in the Cot-tage Grove country, their 57th wedding anniversary having been celebrated

Saturday.

Coming across the plains together as children in 1853, the slow progress of the ex teams gave ample time for the development of a love affair, and the two were married shortly afterward in a log cabin on the Hardy place, and have ever since made their home here, with the exception of three years Mr. Veatch served in the indian War.

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Mrs. Veatch came across the plains
with her father, S. V. Knox, Mr. Veatch
being employed to look after the loose
cattle, of which there were about 100

cattle, of which there were about 100 head.

In the party were S. V. Knox and family, William Oglesby and family, ira Kelly and Tom Knox, sons-in-lew of William Oglesby: Parrin Bryant and Mr. and Mrs. William Ryles. The party started from Missouri and the trip required six months. They crossed the Cascades by the old Barlow route. During the trip across the Malheur country in Eastern Oregon a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ryles, and was named Mary Malheur. Of the older membars of the party none is living with the exception of the Ryles, who settled in Benton County and are understood to be now living at Albany, Dr. Oglesby, of this city, is a son of William Oglesby.

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Mr. Veatch said the country was all taken up in section claims and looked as if it was only meant for the indians, rattlesnakes and "varmints" which then infested it. He has since become attached to it, however, and nothing could induce him to leave it.

Mr. and Mrs. Veatch, the former 54, and the latter 80, are still apry and are affectionately known to every resident of the Cottage Grove country as "Uncle Barney" and "Aunt Jane."

SHOOTING DEAL CLEARS Prosecuting Attorney Says Indian, Before Death, Freed Chandler.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -

NEWPORT. Or. Dec. 27.—(Special.)—
Edward R. Bryson, Prosecuting Attorney in this district, who with his family is passing the holidays here, made the following statement today regarding the shooting of Jim Warner, an Indian, by Loyal Chandler, a white man. "The shooting of Warner, which occurred sametime age on the Sileiz River, has caused much controversy, as Chandler was fined \$20 and Warner died later. Chandler was fined for disorderly conduct. The grand jury returned not a true bill recently for these reasons. Warner was a very old man. He was suffering from heart disease and apparently died from that cause. He lived a long time after heing 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.

Better Pinnes for Rent

Sister of Murdered Spokane Maid in Juvenile Jail.

BROTHER BEING WATCHED

COTTAGE GROVE, Or. Dec. 27.— Police Move Mysteriously in Taking
Nearly 60 years have been passed by
First Active Step Sinbe Crime

ALWAYS THE SAME First Active Step Sinbe Crime on December 7-Father on Verge of Collapse.

> SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -Elizabeth Weber, 16 years of age, 1s held in the juvenile jail as a result of

the investigation of the murder of her sister. Anna Weber, on Summit boulevard, December 7.

The detention of Elizabeth Weber is the first definite move the police have made in the Weber murder case. The girl was taken Tuesday without the knowledge of her father or mother. knowledge of her father or mother, and any news of her arrest has been closely guarded, even the juvenile authorities

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refusing to affirm or deny that the gir

George Weber, father of Anna Weber,

George Weber, father of Anna Weber, is on the verge of nervous collapse from worry for his daughter Elizabeth's welfare. When the girl failed to return to the Weber home on Malion avenue last night the father, fearing she had met the fate of his older daughter. Anna, at the hands of some brutal assassin, appealed to the police, who, he declared, told him they knew nothing of his daughter's whereabouts.

Herbert Weber, 20 years old, a brother of the murdered girl, is under police surveillance, and was submitted to a rigid examination in the office of Chief of Police Doust this morning.

The police said today that the detention of Herbert Weber may be ordered at any hour.



## Champagne for Breakfast

seems ridiculous, yet you smoke a heavy, black Havana immediately after the meal. Then you wonder why you aren't up "to the mark"-Brain workers smoke a light, domestic blend-the

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