

BORAH PLEADS FOR LENTEN LAND LAW

Secretary of Interior Held to Be Working With View of Aiding Rich Men.

SETTLERS' TRIALS CITED

Idaho Senator Declares Present Rulings Too Harsh—Men on Land Pointed Out as Best Asset of Nation.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 14.—In a speech delivered in the Senate today Senator Borah of Idaho, made a strong appeal for the enactment of lenient land laws to relieve the burden upon the settler and to facilitate the development of the remaining public lands of the West susceptible of cultivation and improvement. While speaking particularly with reference to the homestead law, Senator Borah referred also to other public land laws and to the question of conservation.

He paid his respects to those theorists who have done so much in late years to prevent the passage of sensible land laws, and maintained that the average Western citizen is a better conservationist than his Eastern brother who knows nothing of the practical working of this recently developed policy. In part, Senator Borah said:

"Several months ago a bill was put upon its passage through Congress having for its purpose the amelioration of the harsh terms of the law under which settlers are now seeking to secure homes upon the public domain. It passed this body. With some amendments it passed the House. It is now resting in conference, where it has been for weeks. Its friends are by no means satisfied with the outlook for its becoming a law at this session. It has been opposed from the beginning by the Secretary of the Interior.

"Homesteaders under suspicion. It has been sought to be amended and emasculated by all that class of men who profess to be in sympathy with every citizen who seeks through months and years of adversity and hardship to carve a home from the desert is a criminal. I am sure if these men were there to see, if they could know the relentless way in which the Government has pursued the homesteader for years, the annoyance, the delay to which he is subjected, the price he pays in labor and effort for his land, they as honest and well-meaning men would change their minds.

"No man gets title to a homestead or desert entry who does not give evidence a hundred times over of his good faith, as a settler and a home builder. Men who talk glibly about giving these men homes do not know the facts. These men by their labor and their sacrifices have changed our worthless arid waste into taxpaying and valuable properties, but they have paid for them in their labor.

"I look upon the man who seeks to make an acre productive which was not productive before not only as a good citizen himself, but as a distinct benefactor to his fellowmen. He is the man who is going to solve the question of the high cost of living if it is ever solved. These men ought to be encouraged instead of discouraged by every petty rule and regulation which the middle-class impudence of suspicion can think of. This settler takes that which is worthless as it lies there in the arid desert and makes it a home—and this Government now and for years has put upon him the suspicion of crime, the surveillance and annoyance which it does not even throw around its professional criminals who infect society. The executive officers of this Government with their hired spies have hunted the homesteader, leered upon him as he left his solitary lodging, watched his coming and going, and diverted upon the trail of Jean Val Jean, until it has ceased to be endurable any longer. Talk about these men not being law-abiding if they were not so, more than one special agent would have paid for lawless methods with his life.

"This Congress going to adjourn without passing these laws? Will you go before the people of the West in the coming campaign and tell them you were afraid to make just and business laws for them because you regarded them as all speculators and thieves? Are you going to say to these settlers who are holding on and endeavoring to make both ends meet that you would have passed these laws but the Secretary of the Interior was passing through the best and the best of an idea and the hour of his intellectual acouchment had not yet arrived? And do not think the settlers alone are interested. The entire West is interested. It will no longer be satisfied with promises. Our Eastern politicians who make their Summer excursions into the West and do not know what they are going to do will have to begin to make good their promises. Let me assure them that the West now expects a fulfillment of these pledges.

Men of Money Aided.
"By the Secretary of the Interior's utterly impracticable recommendation that title be withheld for five years, but that the party be not required to live on it the first two years, only cultivate it, he favors the fellow who can hire others to go and do the work while draws a salary. He cuts out the man who wants that piece of land for his home, who has no home anywhere else, who has no means to employ others but whose good faith is established to secure a basis of credit upon which he can continue to improve his home. By his recommendation of amendment to the bill giving title to those upon reclamation projects at the end of the residence period, which amendment is the effect that they get the land before getting patent, he has again disclosed his uncontrollable desire to favor the man of money. Under many of these projects the amount to be paid will not be fixed for three or four years. Then, unless a man has a bank account, it will be three or four years before he can possibly pay this 40 per cent. So you see the law is fixed again to the advantage of those who have a large sum to start with. In the meantime the man of limited means has been driven from his homestead through sheer desperation and want and gets the benefit. When you think

FOREST PATROL IS SET

Guard Against Summer Fires Will Be Strict This Year.

SALEM, Or., May 14.—(Special.)— Jubilant over the prospects for the sea-

son, State Forester Elliott returned this morning from an extensive trip through Southern Oregon and Willamette Valley counties and declares that the organization of the fire-fighting system of the state will be much superior to last year.

Among the things accomplished on this trip was the organization of a county patrol system in Douglas County. An association also has been formed in Linn County, and another to cover Marion and Clackamas Counties. The other associations of Jackson, Klamath and Coos Counties have been given enlarged powers and are much strengthened.

An entirely new policy in relation to these county fire-fighting associations has been adopted by the State Forester. Under the new plan the county associations each will be allowed to select their own supervising warden and he will be paid by state funds. The local timbermen agree to take care of the fire-fighting and organize the local associations in the counties.

Telephone lines are being established in Jackson, Linn and Coos Counties for the express purpose of being used between the lookouts and patrolmen. "There is one feature which I wish to call special attention to at the present time," said Forester Elliott. "It is imperative for the safety of timbered lands that slashings be burned as much before the extreme dry season as possible and every effort is being made to impress this upon the minds of those who have slashings to burn."

WAGE RISE IS DENIED

JOB PRINTERS REFUSE DEMAND OF LINOTYPERS.

Question of Strike Must Wait Until International Typographical Union Approves.

Demand of linotype operators employed at Portland book and job offices that their scale of wages be advanced to that paid operatives on newspapers and that their work day be reduced from eight to seven and a half hours has been denied by the employing printers. This decision on the part of the employers was reached last night, following a conference with a committee representing the linotypers. The new scale was to become effective today.

Last night's conference terminated negotiations between the operatives and the employers. The linotypers presented their reasons for asking better pay and a shorter work day, in refusing to grant these concessions the employers insisted that the trade would not justify them. If a strike is ordered it will not take place for some time. The dissatisfied operatives must first present their case to the local typographical union, which will decide whether a strike shall be called.

In event a strike is ordered the walk-out must receive the endorsement of the International Typographical Union before any of the striking operatives will be entitled to strike benefits. It will require at least three or four weeks before these questions can be decided finally. The linotypers were represented at the conference by the following committee: A. C. Turner, president Multnomah Typographical Union; C. P. Howard, William L. Lanphear, James Berry and William F. Otto. Members of the committee representing the employing printers at the conference were: Hugh M. Glen, president Portland Linotyping Company; Chester A. Whitmore, president and general manager of the Irwin-Hodson Company; Edward H. James, president of the James Printing Company; J. L. Wright, president and general manager of the Portland Printing-House Company, and A. A. Bailey, of Bailey & Torrey.

INSURANCE OFFICIAL HERE

Investment Head of Company Praises Portland's Stability.

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C. O. Buckner, vice-president of the New York Life Insurance Company, one of the famous big four, arrived in the city yesterday on a trip of business and pleasure. Mr. Buckner is accompanied by his wife and daughter and is making his headquarters at the Multnomah for a few days. Mr. Buckner is in charge of the investment department of the company and has its undivided profits amounting to nearly \$100,000,000 he keeps informed on exact financial conditions in all parts of the world. On the occasion of his visit to Portland Mr. Buckner said: "The growth of Portland is really wonderful, especially as it has retained its long reputation for stability and conservatism by which it has been known in the financial circles of the country for years. The New York Life has invested in Portland over \$2,000,000 and I would be only too glad to double or treble this on similar security.

"SANE" FOURTH IS STARTED

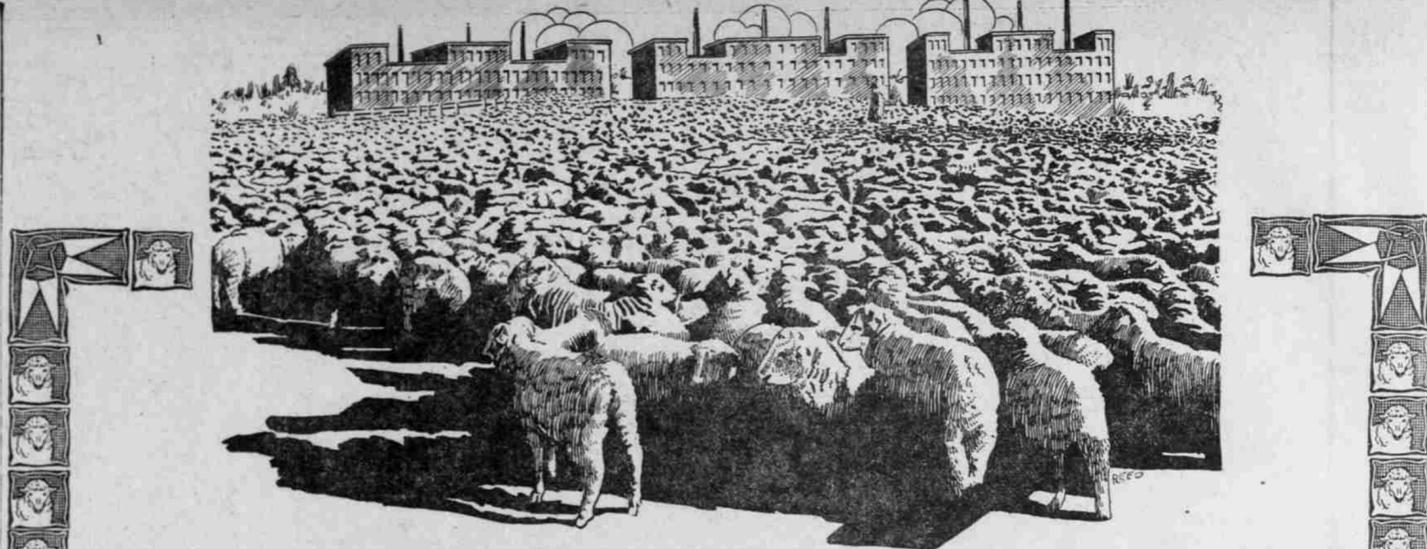
Spokane Proposed Ordinance Is Exceedingly Rigid.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—An ordinance drawn by Corporation Counsel A. M. Craven, which none of the Council would admit they had asked for, made its appearance today, not only prohibiting pyrotechnic displays and fireworks of all kinds, but making it a crime to store or sell them in the city except for wholesale purposes for out-of-town use. Last year a committee of the Council recommended no action for 1911, but requested Craven to hand the Council an ordinance along that line for passage immediately after the Fourth last year, so that ample notice would be given fireworks dealers before this year's celebration.

New Westminster Mills Burn.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., May 14.—The main factory of the Royal City Mills together with two boiler houses, loading platform and docks were burned today. The loss will be \$100,000, fully covered by insurance. The Royal City plant is one of the largest on the Coast and the oldest in this vicinity, having been founded in the present site more than 40 years ago.

Ontario Province was granted \$200,000 by the Canadian Parliament as subsidy for the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.



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The delegates are: J. D. Call, A. L. Brewer, C. P. Overfield, J. W. Burjon, J. E. Cardon, William M. Roylance, E. M. Brown, John McAndrew, J. R. Barnes, J. S. Beamsford, T. N. Taylor, C. C. Neslen, G. C. Whitmore, Samuel Russell, H. L. Nielson, John Derr.

STEAMER ETNA ON NEW SCHEDULE.
WOODLAND, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—A new schedule today went into effect for the steamer Etna, operating on the upper Lewis River. Instead of making the trips as formerly, up one day and back the next, the schedule will now be round trips daily.

DEER CAPTURED IN RIVER

Pendleton Rancher Delivers Full-Grown Stag to Game Warden.

PENDELTON, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Dave Bonifer, a rancher living near Gibbon, found a new and difficult feat in lassoing when he encountered a full-sized deer in the middle of Meacham Creek yesterday, while riding horseback a short distance from Gibbon. The animal had presumably been chased over the hills by hounds and had taken refuge on the banks of the creek. When the horse and rider appeared the frightened stag swam further on toward the middle of the creek, with Bonifer in hot pursuit. Both horse and deer were swimming when Bonifer's lariat caught the deer about the neck. It was a rescue, not a capture, on Bonifer's part, and after taking the captive to his farm he telephoned Deputy Game Warden Averitt to take possession. It will probably be shipped to the Wallowa country and put with the large herd of deer in that section.

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