

CO-OPERATION WITH STATES OUTLINED

Secretary Lane Willing Government Should Aid Distressed Projects.

MILLIONS MAY BE USED

Date Fixed for Conference Between Western Governors and Representative of Department to Decide on Details.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 22.—Secretary Lane, of the Interior Department, will be unable to confer personally at Denver with the Governors of the Western states with a view to outlining a general policy of co-operation between the Federal Government and the states looking to the completion of private irrigation projects, which are threatened with disaster. He has, however, fixed April 9 as the date when the conferences will begin and has delegated Assistant Secretary Jones to represent the Interior Department. The date chosen is the day immediately following the annual conference of Western Governors.

Secretary Lane has outlined six topics for consideration. They are: "Co-operation Between Nation and State," "Carey Act Projects," "Irrigation Districts," "Administration and Operation of the Desert Land Act," "Settlement of Irrigated lands: Crops, Markets and Finance," and "Ways and Means of Financing Future Works."

Federal Aid Necessary. It is Secretary Lane's idea, based on observations made in the West last summer, that Government assistance is necessary to pull a great many private projects out of the mire. Lack of confidence in irrigation bonds; difficulties experienced by private interests in financing projects which have been begun, but are not finished; and the engineering problems which threaten some projects with failure all tend to make it necessary for the Federal Government to lend a helping hand. This Secretary Lane favors, provided he is assured of hearty co-operation on the part of the states affected and the projects themselves, or those backing them.

There is a shortage of money for carrying on Government irrigation work on a scale. Congress has done nothing toward authorizing a big loan to the reclamation fund and the prospects for such a loan are not good. However, there remains available a certain amount which, judiciously distributed, would enable the Government, with the co-operation of the states, to help several private projects out of financial difficulties. This money has been put in good faith have gone on these projects, assuming they would be completed as promised.

Money Must Be Returned.

One million dollars of Government money, used with a like amount raised by the states, would go far to rehabilitate several uncompleted private projects, and with this minimum expenditure of Federal funds a larger area could be brought under irrigation than would be possible if the same amount were applied to a new project, built entirely with money taken from the reclamation fund. Secretary Lane does not indicate as yet how much money can be set apart for co-operative work on uncompleted private projects, but it is assumed that several million dollars can be found, if the states will agree to share evenly with the Government the cost of finishing the projects that are now at a standstill because of lack of financial backing. The Government will insist that any money it may set aside for this purpose be returned to the reclamation fund, for co-operative work could be undertaken on no other basis under the present law. Secretary Lane is disposed to make the terms as easy as possible on the settlers.

SEED-GROWING IS URGED

Hood River Orchardists May Enter Field, Says Portland Man.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—In addition to receiving a return from vegetables grown between their trees for canning purposes the local orchardists are being urged to supply the state with large portions of its seed beans and peas, according to F. W. Nelson, a Portland seed man, who addressed a meeting of growers here this afternoon. The meeting was one of a series that has been held this winter by the Commercial Club. Orchardists are going in extensively for seed. The announcement was made that E. B. Cloud and John R. Newton would establish a cannery here.

IDAHO SLAYER ACQUITTED

Maynard Brown Proves Self-Defense at Orofino.

OROFINO, Idaho, March 22.—(Special.)—Maynard Brown has been acquitted in the district court here of the charge of murdering James Snodgrass. Self-defense was pleaded. The verdict was returned after two hours' deliberation by the jury. Brown was tried for the killing of Snodgrass two weeks ago. In the trial it was charged that improper relations had existed between Snodgrass and Mrs. Brown, and when Brown accused Snodgrass, he was attacked and shot in self-defense.

SOCIALISTS PLAN RECALL

Pasco Party Objects to Action of Its Representatives in Council.

PASCO, Wash., March 22.—(Special.)—Socialists are circulating recall petitions for Councilmen Groome and Louwre on the ground that they voted against pledges in passing the bond issue for the irrigating water. Both the Socialist Councilmen are preparing to fight. They have issued statements to the effect that they did what they thought for the best interests of the city in voting for and enabling the Council to pass this resolution.

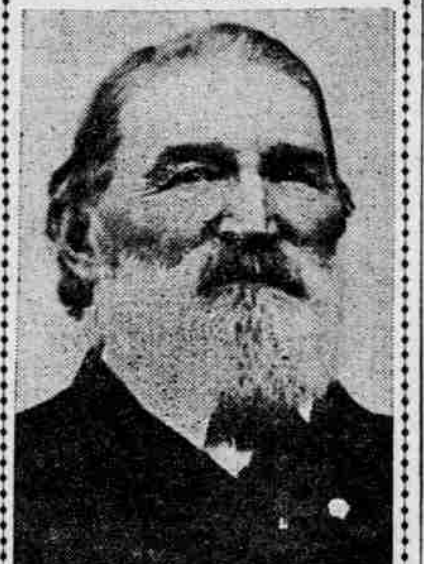
WALLOWA CANDIDATES OUT

Five in Race for Sheriff's Post and Three for Representative.

ENTERPRISE, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Candidates for all the county offices to be filled this Fall have entered the race for the primary election. For Sheriff there are five can-

didates: Democrats, Edgar Marvin, incumbent, and Giles Plass; Republicans, E. Evans and H. C. Cramer; Progressive, A. M. Smith. For County Clerk one candidate is out, Charles G. Blythe, Democrat, incumbent. The Republicans have discussed various candidates to oppose Mr. Blythe, but have not agreed on any as yet. For Treasurer the candidates are: C. W. Franklin, Democrat, incumbent, and M. H. Tucker, Republican. For County Commissioner there are two Republicans seeking the nomination, W. B. Fordice and Ernest F. Johnson. Wallowa and Union counties comprise the 24th legislative district. As the Senator from this district is, by custom, a Union County man, the Representative is from Wallowa County. Three candidates for the Republican nomination are in the field, W. A. Jones and H. E. Davidtzar, of Joseph, and Dr. C. A. Mahers, of Wallowa. One Progressive is running, W. G. Trill, of

PROMINENT RESIDENT OF COQUILLE, CIVIL WAR VETERAN, DIES.



Walter Drain, Coquille, Or., Wash., March 22.—(Special.)—Walter Drain, one of the oldest residents of this city, which had been his home for the past quarter of a century, died at his residence here after an illness of about a year. Mr. Drain was born in Harden County, Kentucky, September 27, 1824, and lacked but a few months of being 90 years of age. He enlisted in the Third Kentucky Cavalry at the outbreak of the Civil War, and served in the Union Army for four years, holding the position of regimental blacksmith. He resided in Kentucky until 1839, when he moved to Missouri, and subsequently to Kansas, taking a homestead in the northwestern part of that state. He came to Oregon about 1859, and ever since has been a resident of Coquille.

Wallowa. There is no Democratic candidate. Mr. Jones and Mr. Davidtzar are large farmers and live a few miles apart, not far from Joseph and Enterprise. Their race promises to be one of the most interesting at the primary election.

GOLDEN WEDDING IS HELD

Mr. and Mrs. John Charles Johnson Oregon Pioneers.

CORVALLIS, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Charles Johnson was celebrated Friday, March 13, at the home of their son, A. J. Johnson, of Corvallis. Of the five children living, all were present, together with families, including Mrs. Lizzie Daniels, of Eugene; A. J. Johnson, of Corvallis; Mrs. Etta Simpson and C. V. Johnson, of Arlie, and Mrs. Pearl Stuart of Portland. Other guests were a brother and sister of both Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, a nephew, a niece, Nathan Young, of Seaside, and Mrs. A. J. Johnson; Dr. J. R. N. Bell and Rev. H. H. Hubbard, of Corvallis. Mr. Johnson was born in Illinois in 1842. Mrs. Johnson being born in the same state in 1846. The former came to Oregon with his parents by ox team in 1847. Mrs. Johnson crossed the plains with her parents in 1852, and both families settled on donated land claims in Marion County, near Jefferson. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were married March 13, 1861.

GOOD ROADS DAY ASKED

McMinnville Grange Wants Citizens to Work April 10.

McMinnville, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—McMinnville Grange No. 31 has adopted resolutions calling on Governor West to proclaim April 10 a good roads day for Oregon. The letter to the Governor says in part: "McMinnville Grange No. 31 at today's session voted to ask you to designate April 10 a holiday to be known as Good Roads Day for Oregon and that you request citizens to go on the highways and work to improve the roads under the direction of the County Courts and Supervisors of the several districts. Also that an assistant Supervisor be appointed for every section of the road where necessary."

WALLOWA GETS SETTLERS

Homesteads Are Being Taken and Relinquishments Purchased.

ENTERPRISE, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—New settlers and homesteaders are flocking into Wallowa County at a rate never before known. Many are looking for homesteads and others are anxious to buy deeded and improved farms. Homesteads are growing scarce, but many sales of relinquishments are reported. The bulk of the newcomers are practical farmers, large numbers coming from the Palouse country. Most of the activity is in the hill lands northeast of Enterprise. The continued mild weather of March has enabled farmers to start breaking new sod earlier than usual. Many thousands acres of virgin soil will be turned this season.

Company K 27, Company A 23.

CORVALLIS, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Company A, Third Infantry, O. S. G., of McMinnville, was defeated at basketball by Company K on the local armory floor last night by a score of 27 to 23. Company A has beaten every other team of the regiment except that of Company K. Company K has won twice from the McMinnville team and claims the National Guard championship.

Horsethief Suspect Caught.

SALEM, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—J. H. Miller, accused of stealing a horse from A. C. Simmons, of Gervasia, last Friday, was brought to this city from Springfield today by Sheriff Esch. Miller was the horse when arrested, but declared he bought it in Albany. He admits that he was in Salem about the time the horse disappeared.

JOHN REED IN MEXICO. Word Pictures of War by an American Kipling. In the April METROPOLITAN "The Livest Magazine in America" All News-stands TO-DAY 15 cents

OWN END DEFEATED

Sylvia Pankhurst Unable to Enter Abbey, as Promised.

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CROWD GETS THERE FIRST

Militant, on Stretcher Surrounded by Thousand Followers, Excluded by Fact She Advertised Intention in Advance.

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GRANGE'S ACT CRITICISED

Mrs. Maggie L. Johnson Insists Initiative Should Be Changed.

MILWAUKIE, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—"I think Multnomah County Pomona Grange made a great mistake in refusing to favor any change in the initiative at the meeting held last Wednesday at Russellville," said Mrs. Maggie L. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson is a prominent member of the farmers' order in Clackamas County, and at the meeting expressed her opinion freely with the result that she was severely criticised by several of the speakers. "The grange is making a great mistake in refusing to make any change in the initiative for its better protection against abuse, and unless some

CHANGE IS MADE THE SYSTEM WILL BREAK DOWN.

There are some good men up for office, but there is no assurance that they can be elected. We may get U'Ren for Governor as one result. I predict that we must protect the initiative sooner or later."

PARTIAL TICKET NAMED

Lane County Prohibitionists Indorse Republican Candidate.

EUGENE, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—A county convention of Prohibitionists this afternoon nominated a partial ticket for state and county officers and left to the executive committee the selection of the rest of the nominees, as well as that of 63 delegates to the state convention. Marvin Fenwick, of Springfield, candidate for the Republican nomination, was named as one of the Prohibition candidates for State Representative, and T. H. Garrett, of Eugene, as a second candidate. A committee of five will choose between suggested men for the other place on this part of the ticket. Jeff H. Irish, of Eugene, was nominated for the State Senate. Other selections were: Sheriff, H. W. Hall, of Irving; County Clerk, A. A. Kyburz; Treasurer, P. August Peterson.

SHERMAN EXHIBITS LIKELY

Boys' and Girls' Clubs Organized at Many Schools.

MORO, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Schools of Sherman County will be able to make exhibits at the State Fair this year and many boys and girls' clubs have been organized at Fairview, Monkland, De Moss, Grass Valley, Michigan, German Settlement, Kent, Rosebush, Rutledge, Boardman, Hay Canyon, Webfoot, Klondike, Bigelow, Brook, Rufus, Wasco, Locust Grove, John Day and Wilcox. A teachers' institute was held at Wasco on Saturday and the attendance was good.

CANNING TO BE FAIR FEATURE.

SALEM, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Home canning will be one of the features of the next state fair. Luther J. Chapin and Floyd W. Rader, county agriculturalists of Marion and Lane counties respectively, will organize clubs which will exhibit their products at the fair. Many fruits and vegetables that usually are allowed to go to waste will be canned for exhibition to illustrate the saving that may be made by the housewife. A continuous demonstration will be conducted at the fair by teams from the various clubs, each team demonstrating one-half day.

Ashland School Beautified.

ASHLAND, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—According to designs furnished by Professor Peck of Corvallis, along landscape gardening lines, the high school grounds are being beautified with park and lawn features, supplemented by plants, shrubs and flowers. The pupils are performing the labor which is transforming the school premises into an attractive spot. The high school area embraces about eight acres. A new and commodious tennis court has been laid out.

CONNELL WILL BE HOST

ACTIVE PREPARATION BEING MADE FOR DRY FARMING CONGRESS.

In Addition to Addresses and Demonstrations by College Faculty Local Farmers Will Speak. PASCO, Wash., March 22.—(Special.)—Great preparations are being made by Connell for the Dry Farming Congress which will convene there next week. The commercial club and the school have combined in an effort to promote the congress. Connell is in the heart of the dry farming district of Franklin County. The programme will be put on mostly by agricultural experts from the Washington Agricultural College at Pullman. In addition to the professors, successful farmers of that district will speak. The following members of the college faculty will take part: H. E. Goldsworthy, dry land expert; Professor Severance, chief agriculturist; J. H. Torrey, director of extension department; J. N. Price, extension specialist; Miss Lillian Blanchard, instructor in poultry; Professor Thom, dry land expert and soil physicist. The addresses will cover every phase of dry farming, including the best methods for killing weeds, conservation of moisture, prevention of blowing of the soil, marketing of wheat, building of elevators, up-to-date farming machinery and farm accounting. Miss Mary Sutherland will be in attendance to talk to the women on household subjects.

FAIR SURF BATHERS FROLIC

Pacific Water "Awful" Fine, Declare Season's First.

SEASIDE, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—Surf bathing in March is not yet a generally accepted diversion but three courageous women have inaugurated the 1914 season here. The first ones first to defy Pacific's early Spring breezes were Mrs. Bell Byron, of Portland, Mrs. Mabel Brandenburg, of the Pickwick, Seaside, and Mrs. James Peterson, also of this city. They declared the water was "awfully" fine. A large party had arranged to bathe in the surf today, but the weather became threatening.

Man With Horses Soon Captured.

ASHLAND, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—The man who stole Fred Herrin's horses last Friday night turns out to be Walter Grog, instead of Taylor, a young man residing in this vicinity, who formerly worked on the Herrin ranch. He was overtaken at Brush Gulch, on the Klamath River, 8 miles from Hornbrook, and returned voluntarily to Ashland this morning with his pursuers.

PIPE MINERAL WATER PLANT

Ashland Puts Engineers to Work on Extensive Enterprise.

ASHLAND, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—C. H. Miller, representing Smith, Emery & Co., of San Francisco, consulting engineers, arrived today and tomorrow will begin work on plans and specifications connected with the

New Fruit Dryer Invented.

SALEM, Or., March 22.—(Special.)—F. E. Newberry, a native of Salem, has perfected a fruit dryer which is said to excel any on the market. The plant is entirely different from the old kinds and experts who have examined it, declare that it will revolutionize the industry.

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