

BAKER COUNTY GETS BEHIND McNARY BILL

Federal Aid Is Proposed to Extend Irrigation.

LOCAL PLANS CRYSTALLIZE

Thief River, Lower Powder and Balm Creek Projects Contemplated in Development Work.

BAKER, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—At a meeting held here for the development of the Thief river project, the lower Powder irrigation district and the Balm creek irrigation project, more than 200 Baker county citizens voted to lobby for the McNary reclamation bill, now before congress, and to utilize every effort to place these local projects favorably before the reclamation service.

Notwithstanding that there is more land under irrigation in Baker county than any county in the state, there is more land that is held capable of irrigation than any of the other counties.

At the meeting, it was decided that the plans for financing the proposition would be given to three members of the board of directors of the lower Powder irrigation district and six appointees of President Lottridge of the local chamber of commerce.

McNary Bill Has Chance. "The McNary bill, calling for an appropriation of \$250,000,000, has a strong possibility of becoming a law," A. A. Smith, local delegate to the Western State Reclamation association in Salt Lake City, said.

He pointed out that the government was only disposed to take hold of projects where a considerable portion of the land to be reclaimed is government land. The lower Powder project is the only one in Baker county to meet this requirement.

Mr. Smith recommended that definite action be taken immediately for the promotion of the movement, and that a fund should be provided to pay for the necessary expenses that would be incurred.

C. C. Fisher, United States engineer for the reclamation service, addressed the meeting, stating that through his work on the proposed lands for reclamation, he would say that of the two units, Thief valley and Balm creek, it probably would be necessary to make a more complete survey of soil conditions, and their classification would be periodical.

Based on a comparison with other projects, he estimated the cost to be \$110 to \$115 an acre, but added this figure should not be considered too high as to hold the promotion or construction of the project.

The territory in the lower Powder river project includes 5,000 acres, now under cultivation, with water available, and 60,000 acres uncultivated. Of this acreage, 40,000 acres are government or undeded land. It has been withdrawn from location under the Carey act.

Surveys have been made classifying 40 representative acres of this land. This was done to estimate the quantity of each tract that can be irrigated, eliminating land that is too high for water.

The Thief valley reservoir will store 140,000 acre feet of water and the Balm creek reservoir will store sufficient water to irrigate 20,000 acres, according to the surveys that have been made.

Millions Are Involved. The cost of the two projects has been placed between \$8,000,000 and \$7,900,000, although it was pointed out that construction cost will vary with material and labor.

It was indicated that the completion of the reclamation plan, would open 120 new farms, supporting about the same number of families. The 6,000 people would be added to Baker City, was a prediction made at the meeting, if the contemplated movement is successful.

It was held that the big problem at this time, which Baker is facing, is the bringing of the project before the reclamation service, in such a favorable manner, that the undertaking will be given the approval of the service. It was held that the line for development as funds are placed at the disposal of the reclamation board.

It was with the view that immediate action was necessary, that the appointment of a committee, comprised of three directors of the lower Powder river district and six other members to be appointed by President Lottridge, of the Baker County Chamber of Commerce, was made for the collection of a \$10,000 fund, to promote the movement.

It is the general opinion that the people of Baker county, generally are behind the movement and many have made liberal offers of aid in financing the project to the limit.

METHODIST PLANS UPSET

High Cost of Living and Exchange Rates Cripple Canadian Church.

TORONTO, Ont., April 21.—Adverse exchange rates and the high cost of living have upset the five-year programme of mission work prepared in 1915 by the Canadian Methodist church.

Dr. S. D. Chown, superintendent of the church, today reported to a meeting of conference heads that \$12,000,000, instead of \$8,000,000, would be needed, as the church pays the New York exchange rate of every dollar sent out of the country.

REPLY TO PANAMA READY

America Insists White Award on Boundary Be Accepted.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The American reply to the protest of Panama against accepting the White award as the basis of settling her boundary dispute with Costa Rica has been completed and will be dispatched soon. Its text is withheld.

The American position, however, was understood to be unchanged tonight in its insistence that the White award be accepted in defining the boundary.

DRYS BLAMED FOR CRASH

Anti-Saloon League Men Held Responsible for Smashup.

SALEM, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—Dr. H. O. Hickman, Gervais physician, while on his way to visit a diphtheria patient late last night, was halted by a motor car fired by anti-saloon league operatives headed by

F. W. Snyder, special agent, according to Dr. Hickman, and Z. J. Riggs, Salem druggist, who, blinded by the official car, crashed into Dr. Hickman's machine during the proceedings.

Dr. Hickman and Mr. Riggs in justice court today declared that after the former had been halted the officers ransacked his machine for liquor chided him for driving too fast and later ordered him to appear before a local magistrate. Dr. Hickman said he demanded presentation of a search warrant by Special Agent Snyder and the other anti-saloon league officials, but they were unable to produce the document.

CHEHALIS FACTORY OPENS

New Plant to Manufacture Butter, Cheese and Milk Powder.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Chehalis' newest manufacturing industry, a 350,000 utility plant erected by the dairymen of Lewis and Pacific counties to handle on a cooperative basis their milk product, began operations this week, having a run Tuesday of 20,000 pounds of milk and 40,000 pounds Wednesday.

The factory has a daily capacity of 135,000 pounds of milk which can be easily increased. The product will be butter, cheese and milk powder. J. A. Scollard, president of the Lewis-Pacific dairymen's association, is directly in charge of the plant. He is also president of the United Dairymen's association, which has other plants in Washington.

Mr. Scollard, who was the principal speaker at the noon-day weekly luncheon of the Chehalis Rotary club, outlined the plan for building the cooperative plant.

JOHN HAILEY IS BURIED

Funeral Held in Rotunda of Idaho Capitol; Pioneers Pallbearers.

BOISE, Idaho, April 21.—(Special.)—The funeral of the late John Hailey, familiarly known as "Uncle John," was held in the rotunda of the state capitol Tuesday. Burial took place in the Masonic cemetery. The guard of honor was composed of members of the reserve officers' training corps. Many of the pioneers of the state acted as pallbearers.

Governor D. W. Davis paid a high tribute to the memory of Mr. Hailey. The principal address was delivered by Jess B. Hawley on behalf of his father, ex-Governor James H. Hawley, president of the State Historical society. Mr. Hawley pointed out how Mr. Hailey had left a useful imprint upon the history of the state.

"Uncle John" Hailey was a familiar figure in the state, and to all members of legislatures particularly.

MORE BIG EGGS FOUND

Hens at The Dalles Poultry Contest.

THE DALLES, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—With claims of "the biggest" hen's egg coming from all parts of the country, Rev. G. K. Hartman and Mrs. Smith French, both of The Dalles, yesterday reported "super-eggs," which they desired to enter in the competition.

Rev. Hartman's prize egg was laid by a White Leghorn hen, and measured six inches around the middle and eight inches around the long way.

Mrs. French's prize egg was laid by a White Leghorn hen, and measured six inches around the middle and eight inches around the long way and six inches around the short way. Both eggs were perfectly formed and were kept for exhibition.

HOQUIAM ACCEPTS DATES

American Legion Convention to Be Held July 14, 15 and 16.

HOQUIAM, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Through plans for the state convention of the American Legion have been worked out for July 14 to 16, at Hoquiam, Wash., July 14, 15 and 16, as determined by the state executive committee in Spokane a few weeks ago, have been accepted by Hoquiam post No. 18, hosts for the year. Henry A. Wise, Spokane, the state adjutant, was so notified today by the local post.

Members of the local post discussed the advisability of sending out blanks for a referendum on the dates, but it was finally decided the time was too short.

Railroad Is Sued.

F. C. Schmiedtke, who failed to back his automobile truck from the track of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad at Westport, was rapidly enough to escape a collision on July 30, 1920, filed suit for \$1500 damages in the circuit court yesterday. He claims that the train was going 50 miles an hour and did not stop within 1200 feet of the crossing after the accident.

School to Hold Exercises.

Closing exercises for the winter term at the Knights of Columbus evening school for ex-service men will be held tonight, 239 Grand avenue North. Certificates will be presented to students who have completed courses. F. F. Longman of the supreme board of directors of the organization will speak on the educational programme of the Knights.

Schools on Cash Basis.

CENTRALIA, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Thirty districts of Lewis county will be placed on a cash basis as the result of a call for school warrants issued by the county treasurer. Warrants called in the Centralia district included all those issued up to March 24. The warrants will be payable Monday, when interest ceases.



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Law Library Formally Presented to State School.

SPEAKERS PRAISE DONOR

Judge George H. Burnett Delivers Presentation Speech at Ceremony in Eugene.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 21.—(Special.)—"I come to lay upon the altar of learning this library, the collection of 50 years," said Judge George H. Burnett, chief justice of Oregon supreme court, who presented the Kenneth Lucas Fenton memorial library to the university at a large gathering of students and faculty this morning.

"This library contains 12,000 volumes, and will increase in the present library of the law school more than twofold. It is given to the university by Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fenton, of Portland, in memory of their son, who was graduated from the university law school in Portland in 1912.

"This collection covers every field of law, and is the work of 50 years," said Judge Burnett, who paid a high tribute to Mr. Fenton, of whom he is a personal friend. "Mr. Fenton was a success by his own standards," declared the speaker.

Mr. Fenton Praised. "He was for many years counsel for the Southern Pacific, and one of the leading lawyers in the state. This library will afford the future citizens of the state an opportunity for a better knowledge of law, and when they have become so educated, justice will work out more smoothly. We need deep-thinking people. He who devotes himself to the study of law, who applies himself to its principles, cannot be a bad man. He will receive a true idea of what justice is."

Judge Burnett stressed the importance of keeping graduates here in Oregon, the "keystone" as he called it. "It is the place of greatest opportunity for those who have gone through, who are here now, and who are to come," he said.

President Campbell expressed the great value of the gift at this particular time. "It comes at the most opportune time in the history of the university. The faculty has been seeking a means of increasing the present inadequate number of volumes, and now this gift comes to solve the problem," he said.

Gift Called Fit Memorial. "The memory of Kenneth Lucas Fenton will be forever perpetuated by this magnificent gift," said Judge J. W. Hamilton of Roseburg, president of the board of regents. "Mr. Fenton has given the university what he prized most highly. His act is one of pure unselfishness. I hope that his great sacrifice shall not prove to have been made in vain. It has more than a monetary value," concluded Judge Hamilton.

Dean W. G. Hale, dean of the law school, accepted the gift on the part of the university. "We have received the result of years of labor. It is a fine spirit that placed this library in the hands of generations of lawyers to come, and it should cause them to go forth and diffuse the ideals of the donor throughout the state," said Dean Hale.

Fred E. Smith, of the local bar association, who took the place of Louis E. Bean, accepted the gift on the part of the local bar association. "The act of the university in throwing open the free use of this library to the local bar will solve a great problem, and it is a gift the local bar will gladly avail themselves of," said Mr. Smith.

Girl Hikers at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—Hazel Herman, Helen E. Jackson, "Billie" Wilson and Ma J. McLaughlin, who left Portland yesterday morning for a tramp to San Francisco, arrived here tonight. The young women stated that they got several rides along the way, enabling them to make Roseburg in good time. They were carrying only such light packs as needed and stop nights at farmhouses or hotels.

H. N. White Hurt in Collision.

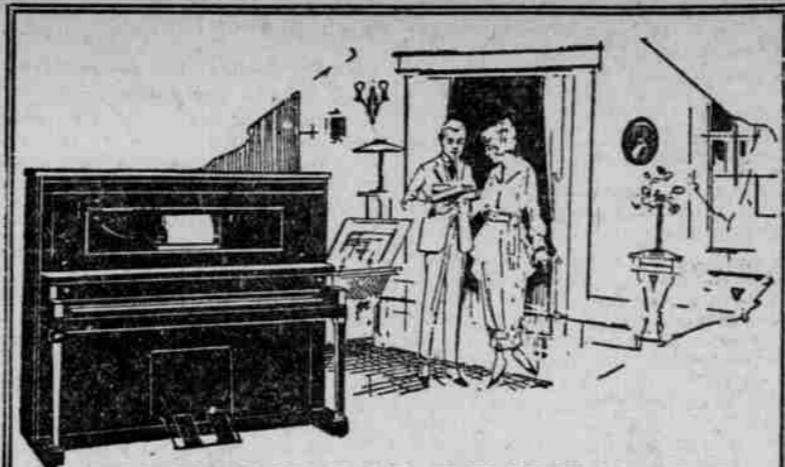
TACOMA, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—H. N. White, retired Tacoma business man and widely known in the paper trade on the coast, was seriously injured last night when he drove his automobile into a post to prevent a collision with another car. His son, H. N. White Jr., was cut and bruised, and Charles H. Herald, theater manager, was cut, slightly by flying glass. The driver of the other machine did not stop after the accident. Mr. White, his son and Mr.

Divorce Suits Filed.

O. H. Olson would go to dances alone and pose as a single man "for a purpose," divorced Christine Olson in a suit for divorce filed in the circuit court yesterday. Desertion was the alleged ground of a second suit filed by Maud Harris against L. E. Harris.

Club Wants More Members.

ABERDEEN, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—The Grays Harbor Rod and Gun club made plans at a meeting here last night to launch a campaign for membership, with 1000 members as this goal. J. E. Fowler and E. N. Faulk were named to appoint captains for the opposing teams which will conduct the drive. Four prizes have been offered for individuals turning in the greatest number of memberships. The first prize of \$10 was donated by the club; second, \$10, by E. N. Faulk; third, \$2.50, by Harry Green, and fourth, a fish line to be provided by the club.



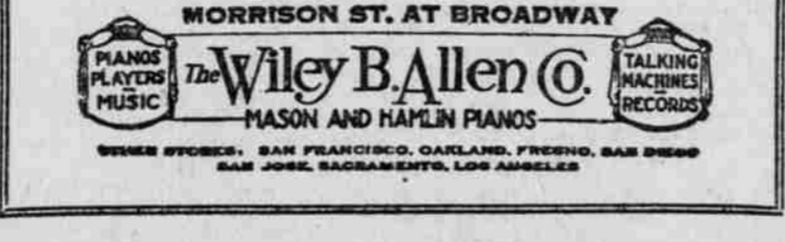
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DEAF NEGRO WEDS WHITE

Miss Lois Kendall, Portland, Wife of Sam Morgan.

Woman's Mother Acts as Witness and Retired Vancouver Minister Performs Ceremony.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Sam Morgan, negro, blind, deaf and unable to write, obtained a license today to marry Miss Lois Kendall, 23, a white woman. Mrs. W. M. Dean, the mother, acted as witness.

Armed with the marriage license, the mixed bridal party went to the home of Elder A. D. Skaggs, retired Christian minister, and asked to be married. Mr. Skaggs, seeing the bride-to-be was a white woman, said that he was not in favor of performing a marriage ceremony for a negro and a white woman.

Mrs. Dean said she was the mother of the girl and said that she wanted the ceremony performed. When asked why she wanted to marry a negro, Miss Kendall said that she wanted a home.

Mr. Skaggs, knowing that if he did not perform the ceremony, someone else would, consented to go ahead. Mrs. Dean and Mrs. F. Delaney acted as witnesses. Both the bride and bridegroom gave their home address as 445 Pettygrove street, Portland.

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Wife Prefers Native Land.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Rocho Penneff has filed suit for a divorce from Gink Penneff, whom he has not seen for many years. The couple were married in November, 1906, in Preslav, Bulgaria. They lived together until 1910, when Penneff came to this country. From 1914 until 1918 he could not communicate with his wife, but did get a letter to her in 1918. She promised to join him and he sent her a ticket to come, but she changed her mind. They have a daughter, Donna, 11 years old.

Dodson to Speak at Salem.

SALEM, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—W. D. E. Dodson, general secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, will deliver an address at a banquet to be given by the Salem Commercial club here next Monday noon. Mr. Dodson will discuss Oregon's future and will tell the people of Salem what is needed to give this state commercial supremacy.

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