

TANNER FIGHTING FOR SCHOOL LAND

Washington Attorney-General Writes Officials of Three Other States.

HE SEEKS CO-OPERATION

All Points at Issue Will Be Threshed Out in Meeting at Salt Lake City June 12, if Plan Is Carried Out.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—For the purpose of attempting to secure for the school children of Washington 994,000 acres of land with a minimum value of \$7,000,000, W. V. Tanner, Attorney-General of Washington, has written letters to the Attorney-Generals of Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota, asking them to look into the Federal land laws and their operations and to assemble at Salt Lake on June 12, when the Attorney-General of the Union will hold their convention there.

Under the enabling act by which Washington was admitted to the Union, section 15 and section 16 of every township were set aside for school purposes, this land to be conveyed whether surveyed or unsurveyed. Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota were admitted under similar acts to that of Washington.

State Claims 200,000 Acres. But the Interior Department has made a series of rulings which the state contends to be unfair. Through adverse rulings, which permit settlers to go onto sections 16 and 18 on unsurveyed lands and which prevents Washington from filing on them, the state has been deprived of more than 200,000 acres of land. It is the contention of Attorney-General Tanner that these sections belong to the state and that the Federal Government has no right to permit them to be settled, and cannot pass title to them, for that title already vests in Washington, although not formally of record.

To test the strength of the state's claim, two suits have been started by Washington against settlers who have located on these lands, called school lands, in sections 16 and 18. One is the case of the State against John D. Walker, of Kittitas County, and the other is the Skagit County case against Edward H. Whitney, in which the state makes a similar contention, that the Whitney title is void, and that the school land. This case is now pending before the State Supreme Court.

United Action Wanted. But in addition to wanting back the 200,000 acres which the Federal Government has deeded to settlers, although it was once given to the state, Attorney-General Tanner insists that the United States has no right to lock up 500,000 acres of school lands in forest reserves. It is to secure some united action on the part of Washington, Montana, North and South Dakota to take the matter up with the Federal land department that the meeting at Salt Lake is urged. Up to this time, Washington officials have failed to get any satisfaction from the general land department. The Washington, D. C. authorities admit that the state has been wronged, and that the school lands and that the school children are entitled to consideration, but nothing has ever been done to relieve the situation.

Value More Than \$10 an Acre.

If the state gets this land it means the enriching of the common school fund, not only of Washington, but of the higher educational institutions, but the fund for the education of the class known as the "barefoot school boys." The state can dispose of none of the lands for less than \$10 an acre, so the minimum value is \$7,000,000. But the state has averaged \$2.50 an acre in the past, so that the estimated value of this land is placed at more than \$15,000,000.

MADRAS SERVICE STARTS

Passenger Train to Be Run Today on Deschutes Line.

GATEWAY, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—Work on the Deschutes Railway is being pushed at a rapid rate. The first passenger train over this line will reach Madras today. The country is feeling the stimulus of the railroad and since the completion of the line to this point five or six trains have been shipped from Gateway, this being the best shipping point for a number of the largest stockmen.

CLUB TO AID FESTIVAL

Astoria Motor-Boat Men Will Escort Rex Up River.

ASTORIA, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—The Astoria Motor-Boat Club at its meeting last night decided to accept the invitation of the Rose Festival committee to escort Rex King of the Festival, up the river. The local fleet will leave here on the evening of Saturday, June 2, arriving at Portland in time to participate in the festivities on Monday.

The club took this action in order to show that it is willing to assist in every way in making the Rose Festival a success. The details of the club's participation in the programme will be left to the Portland Motor-Boat Club to arrange. The announcement was made last evening that the large "Clicking" which was recently purchased by the club will be brought down the river during the coming week when a force of carpenters will be put to work fitting the craft up as the club's headquarters.

OREGON DEBATING TEAM GETTING INTO SHAPE.



OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 6.—(Special.)—The six young men who will represent this college in the debates with the Washington State College team are rapidly working their arrangements into shape. They have been working faithfully for the past two months in preparation for these big contests, which are the principal forensic events of the college year.

The debates will be held May 15, one at Pullman and the other at Corvallis. Each school is preparing a debate on both sides of the question. The Oregon team, which will support the negative side, will go to Pullman to meet their affirmative team, while the Washington school will debate the negative on the same question at Corvallis.

The question selected is on the advisability of the gradual abandonment of the protective tariff. A. A. Asbahr, manager of oratory and debate, is now at work on the selection of judges. These will be announced some time this week.

The Oregon team are made up of men who have all had some experience in debating. Two of the men, A. A. Asbahr and A. F. Gibson, were members of the teams which won from the Washington College last year. The other men have all taken part in the inter-collegiate debates.

The members of the affirmative team are C. L. Jamison, Herbert J. Gilkey and H. C. Hetsel. The negative team members are A. A. Asbahr, A. F. Eschritz and A. F. Gibson.

BIRDS ARE SAVED

Taft Declares Clear Lake Site Reserve.

PLAN TO ENLARGE AREA

Entire Lava Bed Country May Be Embraced in Game Retreat.

Stockmen Oppose Scheme.

Deer Proliferous.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—By an order from President Taft, which has just reached this city, the Clear Lake reservoir site and lands contiguous owned by the Government, have been declared a Government bird reserve.

Game Warden L. Alva Lewis received the official notification with the President's signature attached, and while no word has come as to the plans for patrolling the new reserve it is expected this will be attended to at once.

The Clear Lake and reservoir site covers an area of 25,000 acres. It is a part of the famous Carr land which was owned by James D. Carr years ago, and which fell to his heirs at his death in San Francisco. The land lies in Modoc County, California, and was purchased by the Government for a reclamation site about five years ago, when the reclamation service entered upon the great Klamath irrigation project.

The price paid for this site was about \$155,000.

Order Surprises Public.

The order making it a reserve came somewhat as a surprise to the general public, although men who are close to the reclamation service say that the matter has been under consideration for some time. This lake, prior to the time that the Government built the dam, making the lake a reservoir with the intention of using the water to irrigate a large acreage of land in Klamath County, Oregon, and Modoc County, California, was seven or eight miles long and about the same width at the widest place. It was somewhat in the shape of a triangle, and while not one solid body of water was full of tules, and was mostly overflowed since the Government completed the big dam across the lower end of this lake it has increased in width to considerable extent and is between 12 and 15 miles at the widest place.

While the dam has been completed no work has been done toward using the water.

Clear Lake has been one of the most famous breeding places for wild birds for years and is second to the Lower Klamath Lake region and the islands which are known as Bird Islands. Especially has this been a great place for ducks in the breeding season, and millions of these nest there each Spring.

While the birds have not been seriously molested in the past except by the stockmen who have ranged their cattle and sheep in the vicinity for years, with the more thickly populated of the country it is recognized these birds will not be so safe without protection. For this reason the matter of making it a reserve was taken up and the President made the order. With complete protection from hunters this will rapidly become more of a breeding place for birds of all kinds and will go a long way toward keeping the great hunting grounds of

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ITS EXTENT SURPRISING

Tory Flibuster Against Veto Bill Wears Out, Probably Due to Hint From King—Last Stand Against Home Rule Is Expected.

BY T. P. O'CONNOR. (Special cable to the Chicago Tribune—Copyright, 1911, by Tribune Company.) LONDON, May 6.—The veto bill passed through a vital moment during the week. Home rule played its big part and the big elections continued to excite intense anxiety to both parties, but all these things faded into insignificance before Chancellor Lloyd George's insurance scheme.

The gigantic size, the daring conception and the thorough and exhaustive machinery of the scheme came with a crashing surprise even on a public prepared by preliminary announcements for weeks for the big proposal.

More remarkable even than the immensity of the proposal is its almost universal acceptance. Austen Chamberlain, speaking for the Tories, Redmond, for the Irish and Ramsay MacDonald for the Labor party, are equally loud in their praise.

The insurance men and editors of all the party organs, even the extreme Socialists, join in a chorus of praise and for the moment the only reserve made is that the House require careful study before the scheme can be fully accepted.

Bismarck Is Out-Bismarcked.

Everybody recognizes this proposal as the most daring advance towards social revolution and the recreation of all English life on an entirely new basis ever proposed or even suggested. As one journal puts it, Lloyd-George has out-Bismarcked Bismarck. A moment of reaction may come later, but for the present Lloyd-George and his scheme stand out as the greatest things in English public life.

Lloyd-George got through his speech, lasting nearly two and one-half hours, well. His voice was rather low, but audible and carefully nursed throughout the speech, but he looks still pale and worn and possibly, while resting his voice, he has overworked himself in perfecting his immense and difficult scheme.

He certainly has lost a good deal of his restless physical alertness, but his mind remains enormously active and daring and inexhaustibly hopeful and self-confident.

Veto Flibuster Wears Out.

The veto bill is reaching the last stage of the discussion in the House of Commons and, as the end of the fight approaches, the prospects for the measure grow brighter. Though the flibustering in which the struggle began did not entirely cease, it sank every hour to smaller size until in the end Asquith was able to make friendly deals with A. J. Balfour, opposition leader, which did away with the necessity of all night sittings.

Balfour's speeches, though uncompromising on the surface, became mild in tone, and even Lord Hugh Cecil, the most venomous opponent of the bill and most garrulous flibuster, toned down, and, when the final debate on the committee report approached, he read, a few jokes sent everybody into fits and the stormy opening ended in a sunset of geniality and hearty good humor.

Next week's fight will open with the long delayed guillotine closure and thus the bill will reach the House of Lords in plenty of time to be disposed of before the coronation.

King May Have Given Hint.

Speculation is rife for an explanation

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of the abrupt change in the whole Tory attitude. Some suggest that a hint came from the King and others, so that the Tories at last realize the game is up and are thinking up some plan of decent retreat.

The general expectation now is that the House of Lords will accept a second reading of the bill and then proceed to introduce only one drastic amendment, which would compel Asquith to have another general election before passing the home rule bill. This follows my anticipation all along that Balfour would try to concentrate on Ireland as the one issue that can reunite the scattered and broken party.

King and Asquith Pledged.

The peers also seem to think the King would not grant 500 new peers to carry home rule and that Asquith may consent to some compromise, but each of these hopes is equally false. The King is bound by his written guarantee to follow Asquith's advice and Asquith is bound by honor as well as his

dependence on the Irish vote to stand by home rule.

Everything goes well and the week winds up fitly with a reception to John Redmond in Edinburgh so enthusiastic as to recall the old days and the similar reception to Gladstone and Parnell.

COUNTY FAIR STOCK SOLD

Clearing Ground for Harvest Show. Buildings to Be Begun.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—Nearly \$5000 of the stock of the Clark County Harvest Show Association has been sold. Of this \$1900 worth was sold yesterday by George P. Larsen, the newly appointed secretary.

The Harvest Show will be held on the old Falk tract just outside the city limits and work of clearing the ground for the buildings will be begun Monday. The Commissioners have approved \$2000 towards the fair association. About \$5000 will be given in premiums.

Rainbow Chaser Held Insane.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—Seeing an exceptionally beautiful rainbow yesterday afternoon, Gustave Ahlgren, 44 years old, who was being held in the County Jail yesterday for examination as to his sanity, wanted to buy it and hang it on the wall of his room as a decoration. He was committed to the State Asylum today.

Family Goes to Mexico by Team.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—Going all the way to Mexico by team will be the unusual experience of Merritt Veteto, his son and daughter, of Centralia, Wash., who passed through Oregon City Friday. Veteto is a cousin of B. F. Veteto, of New Era.

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STATEMENT TO STOCKHOLDERS

INCOME	
Gross amount received from stockholders in cash on 4624 shares of stock.....	\$132,684.05
Stockholders' notes taken on 4433 shares of stock, due and not due.....	103,924.45
Total income.....	\$236,608.50
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total amount expended for agents' commission, office rent, clerks' salaries, printing and advertising, etc.....	\$ 31,189.59
Balance.....	\$205,418.91
LEDGER ASSETS	
Mortgage loans on real estate.....	\$ 43,971.65
Collateral Loans.....	1,000.00
Book value of stocks and bonds owned (Portland 6 per cent improvement bonds).....	20,000.00
Agents' balances.....	2,500.00
Stockholders' notes.....	104,145.45
Cash in banks on interest (application for mortgage loans approved, \$28,250).....	33,807.81
Total ledger assets.....	\$205,418.91
LIABILITIES	
Par value of 9375 shares of capital stock.....	\$ 93,750.00
SURPLUS.....	\$111,674.91

HOME OFFICE, OREGONIAN BUILDING

Weak Heart

Many people suffer from weak hearts. They may experience shortness of breath on exertion, pain over the heart, or dizzy feelings, oppressed breathing after meals or their eyes become blurred. Their heart is not sufficiently strong to pump blood to the extremities, and they have cold hands and feet, or poor appetite because of weakened blood supply to the stomach. A heart tonic and alterative should be taken which has no bad after-effect. Such is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which contains no dangerous narcotics nor alcohol.

The ingredients, as stated under each, are Stone root (Collinsonia Canadensis), Bloodroot (Sanguinaria Canadensis), Golden Seal root (Hydrastis Canadensis), Queen's root (Squilla Myricaria), Black ChERRYBARK (Prunus Virginiana), Mandrake root (Pachoclyon Palmatum), with triple refined glycerine, prepared in a scientific laboratory in a way that no druggist could imitate.