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THURSDAY July 27, 1905

## TO FORM WATER COMPANY

Farmers Planning to Bore for Water  
On the Big Plain.

A meeting was held on last Saturday by farmers of the Agency Plains for the purpose of discussing the plan of organizing a company to sink for water on the Big Plain, and to furnish water to the various ranches on the Plains. The meeting was well attended, and with only one exception, all of the farmers present agreed to subscribe for stock in the company. Another meeting will be held in a short time and at this meeting the plan will doubtless take definite form.

The plan of sinking a community well upon the Plains is one that has been much talked of and there seems to be no reason why such a plan should not be both feasible and practicable. There is no reason to doubt that water can be had by sinking to a depth of from 400 to 600 feet, or maybe even less. Once a sufficient quantity was found it would be an easy matter to pump it into tanks and then pipe it to the various farms on the Plains, the topography of Agency Plains being ideal for the distribution of water. The cost of such an undertaking would not be great, and when divided among the large number of people who would be benefitted and who would doubtless be glad to contribute to such an enterprise, the per capita cost would be very light. It would be an enormous saving to the farmers who at present have to haul water from Madras in tanks and barrels and who spend a great portion of each day in that way. Counting the time consumed and the expense of keeping a team for the purpose of hauling water, the annual cost of supplying the farmers of Agency Plains with water, by present methods, would exceed the outlay of capital necessary to install the system which is now being planned.

The lack of water is the greatest handicap from which the ranchers of Agency Plains suffer and once this is solved there will be no finer ranches or more prosperous farmers than they.

The Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company is about ready to patent 140,000 acres of their segregation, which means that this amount of land upon the big Crook County desert has been reclaimed by that company. Patent could not be secured until the land was put under the ditch and ready to irrigate, and the fact that the company is now ready to make proof of its reclamation of that amount of land gives some idea of the immensity of the irrigation project near Bend. This land which is to be patented now includes all of the original segregation of the Drake Company, and about 56,000 acres of land entered by the Oregon Irrigation Company north of Bend.

"Dewey" Tyler returned from Bend on Sunday evening. He left the big auto at Bend, the party of Ohioans who were using the machine having returned to Portland by another route.

The intense heat of the past week was too late to injure the grain, except spring sown wheat. Harvesting of the fall grain has been going on in earnest for a week or more, and about an average crop is being cut. Some of the crops of fall grain, where the land was summer-fallowed, are exceptionally fine, and old farmers of this locality say that the summer-fallow crops are without exception all away ahead of the average.

## NORMAN WILLIAMS HANGED

Made No Confession--Execution Held at The Dalles.

Norman Williams, murderer of Mrs. Nesbett and her daughter, Alma Nesbit, paid the penalty of his crime at The Dalles last Friday morning, being hanged for the killing of these two women in the Hood River valley one night in March, 1900. Williams' trial was a remarkable one, his conviction having been obtained on purely circumstantial evidence, the bodies of his victims never having been found or their whereabouts discovered. Williams did not offer anything in defense at the time of his trial, resting his case upon the failure of the prosecution to prove the "corpus delicti," the essential fact of the commission of a crime, but the jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, and Williams was sentenced to death. His case was appealed, but the Supreme Court refused to disturb the verdict of the lower court. Williams has all along maintained his innocence, but at the trial the chain of circumstantial evidence was so strong and convincing that no one who heard or read it could doubt his guilt.

Williams' crime in Oregon was not his first experience in law breaking. He was an ex-convict of the Nebraska penitentiary, where he served two different terms. At his trial it was also established that he was a bigamist, having one wife living in Nebraska, another in Oregon, and a third in Washington; his marriage to Alma Nesbit, whom he afterward murdered, was also proved. A post mortem examination held upon the body of a former wife at Bellingham, Washington, revealed traces of arsenic poisoning.

### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior.

Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon.  
July 19, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Max Lueddemann, U. S. Commissioner, at Antelope, Oregon, on September 7, 1905, viz:

Jake B. Gillam,  
of Antelope, Oregon, H. E. No. 6794, for  
se 1 1/4 sec 14 sec 11, sw 1/4 sw 1/4 sec 12, nw  
1/4 nw 1/4 sec 13 and ne 1/4 ne 1/4 sec 14, tp  
2 s, r 14 e, w m

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Perry Monroe, Richard DeHaven, of Antelope, Oregon; Miller McPherson, of Ashwood, Oregon; Joseph Stewart, of Antelope, Oregon.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN,  
p-27-a51 Register.

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Timothy Brownhill,  
of Portland, Oregon, H. E. No. 10,291 for  
the sw 1/4 sec 11, tp 10 s, r 13 e, w m, based  
on H. E. No. 4825, for the n 1/2 s 1/2 sec 35,  
tp 2 s, r 16 e, w m, under Act of April 19,  
1904.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Alexander Scott, of Portland, Oregon; R H King, of Grass Valley, Oregon; James Harper, George A. Ferguson, of The Dalles, Oregon.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN,  
e-27-a51 Register.

### CONSOLIDATED

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Desert Land--Final Proof.

U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon.  
July 19, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that the following named claimants have filed notice of their intention to make final proof on their respective claims before Don P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 8, 1905, viz:

Martha A. Parrish,  
of Hay Creek, Oregon, on D. L. E. No. 156  
for the se 1/4 ne 1/4 and e 1/4 sec 6 and sw 1/4  
nw 1/4, w 1/2 sw 1/4 and se 1/4 sw 1/4 sec 5, tp 11 s,  
r 15 e, w m.

Witnesses: John McTaggart and Charles Bye, of Madras, Oregon, and R Parrish and Lee Curtis, of Hay Creek, Oregon.

Rolando Parrish,  
of Hay Creek, Oregon, on D. L. E. No. 154  
for the sw 1/4 nw 1/4 sec 4 and se 1/4 ne 1/4 and  
Lots 2 and 3, sec 5, tp 11 s, r 15 e, w m.

Witnesses: John McTaggart, of Madras, Oregon, and Lee Curtis, Charles Parrish and Martha A. Parrish, of Hay Creek, Oregon.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN,  
p-27-a51 Register.

If you have a farm or town property for sale, list it with the Madras Realty Company, Madras, Oregon. Office in Townsite Building.

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