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### FOREST RESERVE QUESTION

Senator Fulton Working to Regulate Forestry and Agricultural Matters For People's Interests in This State.

ASTORIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., June 6.—An undercurrent of sentiment pervading Congress these days, when a new issue with the great packers is being exploited, is that the meat packing business would be as economically and hygienically done by many fairly large plants situated near the point of production. Friends of the big packers argue that further interference with the order that has developed by Armour, Swift, et al may result in these magnates reducing capital invested, not seeking foreign trade and otherwise trying to discipline a meddlesome public. This menace does not seem to have terrors for either consumer or stock producer. Without the club held by the mammoth packers over all independent packing industries, assurance is given that many new plants would spring up throughout the west and middle west. If the packers are to intimidate the public, a more effectual threat than that indicated, will have to be made.

**Agricultural Bill.** When the pending agricultural appropriation bill becomes law, if as at present framed, all proceeds of forest reserves, whether for sale of timber or grazing privileges, will be divided with counties in which the reserves are situated. The percentage agreed upon is 10, which will probably be finally adopted, this being of gross receipts.

The effect in Oregon will be material, where approximately 12,000,000 acres of land has been withdrawn for forest reserves. Sales of timber are limited yet, but will no doubt grow rapidly as the supply diminishes and prices rise. Oregon's counties having the heaviest timber in reserves will probably reap a considerable annual revenue from this source. Grazing fees will be realized from the first year that the new provision goes into effect. The minimum and maximum figures are not available, but the average number of sheep that will be permitted on reserves will probably be at the rate of one for each 2.5 acres, while cattle will be allotted at the rate of one beast for each five or six acres. The government's figures for summer grazing of sheep are five to eight cents, and 25 to 35 for cattle. If sheep may be taken as a basis of estimate, as six cents a head, and 2.5 acres to one sheep, the revenue from 12,000,000 acres would be \$288,000 for the grazing privilege. It cannot be said that nearly 12,000,000 acres will be grazed, so this basic figure is probably high. Under the 10 per cent provision, the state would get out of this aggregate but \$28,800, to be distributed among the many counties having reserve land.

Timber revenues will in all probability be much larger, especially west of the summit of the Cascades. Such returns will in all probability become a more important item of county revenue in the next decade.

In the struggle for such concessions as this, the northwest members of Congress have often found themselves practically alone. Senator Fulton has consistently striven for a larger percentage of timber and range receipts, but found that the struggle had to be pioneered among apathetic members whose states had little or no timber for the market and less grass. Under the provisions of the pending measure, he hopes that public sentiment will be quickened, until the division of receipts is placed on a basis of such share for the government as actual expenses require, giving the residue to the counties where the reserves are found.

## AMERICAN DIVORCE LAW EXPLAINED TO ENGLISH

### Fears Regarding State of Divorce in United States are Quieted.

LONDON, June 6.—The recent decision of the supreme court at Washington with regard to American divorce law created a great deal of excitement, for it was stated that by that decision "all divorces became invalid where either party was not a resident of the state wherein the decree was obtained." This it was alleged, would affect the status of thousands of people who had been divorced in various states of America and had remarried, children in many cases resulting from those marriages. An American lawyer in discussing the subject in the Westminster Gazette, however, declares that the earlier reports were gross exaggerations. The word "residence" was substituted for "domicile." He adds: "Now in a vast majority of marital actions no question arises which ousts the state court of its jurisdiction. The federal courts expressly disclaim any power to regulate the status of the citizen of any state. But if a right guar-

anteed by the United State constitution be claimed in a state court and denied, the party aggrieved can remove the cause to the United States court. The federal constitution provides that each signatory state must give full faith and credit to the acts of each other state. This clause was invoked by Mr. Haddock. The New York Court of Appeals, although admitting the right of another state to make decrees valid anywhere affecting the status of its own citizens and of those citizens who had voluntarily submitted to its jurisdiction, denied its right to push its law across the state lines so as to affect the status of a citizen of another state who had not conferred jurisdiction by her voluntary act. From this denial of an alleged constitutional right Mr. Haddock appealed to Washington, and the supreme court there. But nine tenths of the agitation and fright grows out of the fact that in the first newspaper accounts the word "residence" was substituted for the word "domicile."

### SUBTERRANEAN AGE IS COMING

Chicago Engineer Predicts That Play Houses of the Future Will Be Built Beneath the Street.

CHICAGO, June 6.—A subterranean age when theatres will be built under ground and the busy hum of factories will resound from far beneath the sidewalk was forecasted last night by Engineer John M. Ewen in an address before the Men's Club of St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Ewen's subject was erecting "Chicago's skyscraper." But while he pointed out that the erection of buildings fifty stories high is perfectly feasible, he said it is also probable that in the future more attention will be paid to digging habitable holes beneath the street level.

Mr. Ewen declared that the San Francisco earthquake proved the superiority of modern fire proof steel construction over all other kinds.

### SELECT AMERICAN TEAM.

Lawn Tennis Team to Compete With Australasian Experts Chosen.

NEW YORK, June 6.—A cable dispatch to the Herald from London says: Captain Raymond D. Little yesterday selected the American Lawn Tennis team which is to oppose Australasia at Newport, Monmouthshire, Thursday, in the first round of the tournament for the Davis cup.

It was decided to play Holcomb Ward and Wreigh Collins in the singles and Collins and Little in the doubles. The Australasians will be represented by A. F. Wilding and L. O. Poldevin. It is thought that the Americans will secure a comfortable triumph. All chances of Beals C. Wright being sufficiently recovered to appear in the challenge round against Great Britain have now disappeared.

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### WILL DISCUSS INFANT MORTALITY

King Edward and Queen Will Become Patrons of the Conference on the Subject of Infant Mortality.

LONDON, June 6.—The king and queen have consented to become patrons of a conference on the subject of infant mortality which will be held in Saxton Hall, Westminster, on June 13 and 14. Among subjects to be discussed by the conference will be the causes of the high infantile death rate, and various suggested measures for improving general conditions. Such measures include the education of women in hygiene and the care and feeding of infants; the improvement of the conditions under which milk for infants is produced and distributed; the making of more stringent regulations for the supervision of those who take charge of infants for hire, and the extension of the midwives act to Scotland and Ireland.

John Burns, M. P., will be the president of the conference, and will deliver the opening address.

### SUFFERS HEMORRHAGE.

PRINCETON, N. J., June 6.—Dr. Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University has suffered a hemorrhage of the left eye and his physician has advised him to rest. Dr. Wilson will take part in the commencement exercises next week, but will make no address. Dr. Henry Van Dyke will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday.

### TO RESIDE IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, June 6.—B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the executive committee of the St. Louis & San Francisco and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroads, will in the future, says today's Times, have a New York residence in the upper Fifth avenue section. The house, which Mr. Yoakum has just bought for about \$250,000, is at 16 East Sixty-seventh street.

### TRANSFER PRISONERS.

Inmates to be Taken From Fort Taylor to Leavenworth.

NEW YORK, June 6.—Castle Williams, the military prison at Fort Jay, Governors Island, will again open its doors and send a horde of prisoners to Fort Leavenworth, Kas., next Sunday. Prisoners from various military posts in the Department of the East will be received this week at Governors Island and will be sent under guard with the prisoners who are to leave for Fort Jay. Prisoners will come from Fort Preble, Me.; Fort Banks, Mass.; Plattsburg, N. Y.; Fort Dupont, Del.; Fort Howard, Maryland, and Fort Monroe. There will be forty-two prisoners in all.

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