

DESTROY TIMBER TO RAISE FRUIT

Profits of Orchards Lure Farmers to Clear the Land Quickly.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Bristol, Wash., Sept. 21.—Great stretches of fine timber are being sacrificed to the flames in this section to secure the land for fruit raising purposes. The high tax on lumber, 50 cents per 1000 feet for pine and 40 cents for fir, and the inability to market it for some time to come, have resulted in a peculiar situation in this section of Klickitat county.

The surrounding country is fast becoming a mass of small orchards, a large number already in bearing. Nearly every ranch has clearing under way for fruit raising mostly. The difficulty in securing the necessary help has been surmounted in some cases by the importation of Japanese.

The help problem, however, is a small matter when it is considered that it has become necessary to burn large areas of timber to secure the ground. Some ranchers offered their timber to the two local sawmills for hauling it away. These offers were almost invariably refused, the mill operators claiming that when they started operations they contracted for all the timber they can handle. A special agent of the Swan-Hamman Lumber company, however, to haul logs from a nine acre slash on the Fowler place, about a mile from the mill, but to have this done Mr. Fowler has had to let a contract, it is reported, for sawing the large lumber logs, so the trees can be conveniently handled.

WOODMEN UNVEIL THREE MONUMENTS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Woodburn, Or., Sept. 21.—Monuments at the graves of the late Peris D. Engle, Robert J. Caples and Harry E. Barnett, departed members of French Prairie camp, Woodmen of the World, were unveiled with impressive ceremonies at Belle Point cemetery Sunday afternoon. The ritual work was by Pine camp of Silverton and the dedication poem by Mrs. Preston of Silverton. The address was by Congressman W. C. Hawley.

DONALD BRIGGS WINS \$350 CASH PRIZE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Hood River, Or., Sept. 21.—Donald Briggs of this city has just received word from the Curtis Publishing company that he won the \$350 cash prize for selling the second largest number of copies of the Saturday Evening Post in the United States. Donald Briggs has secured over \$3000 in prizes during the past year.

New Pastor in Pulpit.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Hood River, Or., Sept. 21.—Rev. T. B. Ford, D. D., pastor of the M. E. church for the present year, preached his first sermon to his new congregation Sunday. He was formerly pastor of the Sunny side M. E. church in Portland.

BUCKLEY'S LAST HOPE FOR LIFE

His Attorney Carries Petition, With New Evidence, to Governor.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Sept. 21.—Attorney Frank J. Murphy left today for Sacramento to plead with Governor Gillett to commute the sentence of death passed on William Buckley, who for the third time has been sentenced to the gallows for the murder of George Rice, a member of the machinist's union, in 1901.

Buckley has been fighting for his life for eight years, and his case has been carried to the supreme court of the state. When Murphy departed for the capital he carried a mass of evidence which has been gathered since Buckley's conviction that is favorable to the defendant. Gillett is Buckley's last resort. If the governor does not commute his sentence he will hang Friday, November 19.

MANY WITNESSES WERE EXAMINED

Indictment Against Rodman and Mrs. Maddux Carries 23 Names.

Twenty-three witnesses were examined by the grand jury during its investigation of the killing of Mrs. May Reel, as shown by the list of names included on the indictment when it was returned to Presiding Judge Eronaugh in the circuit court late yesterday afternoon. The list does not include Julius L. Meier, who knew nothing about the case, the omission of his name being regarded as a further recognition of the injustice that has been done him by rumors connecting him with the case.

The list of witnesses in the order given in the indictment consists of L. N. Rodley, A. F. Roberts, Joseph Day, Frank Snow, Emma Becker, Ethel Nosa, Constable Lou Wagner, John Eide, C. E. Hollem, W. W. Robinson, J. K. Brasier, H. L. Sandy, David F. Huston, Charles A. Campbell, Ethel Sixty, Pearl Foss, Sophia Halliaska, Hattie Driskill, F. L. Kelly, A. N. Cox, Merle Sims, H. L. Stanton and Elmer Erskin.

The indictment charges F. E. Rodman and Hazel Maddux with manslaughter in causing the death of May Reel under the section of the code which makes it manslaughter to kill another in the doing of a lawful act without due care and circumspection.

Burned Bridge Stops Traffic.

Castlerock, Wash., Sept. 21.—By the burning of a small bridge a short distance south of Castlerock yesterday morning all trains were delayed several hours. Train No. 2, due from Portland at 2:32 a. m., was held at this place and No. 1 was held at Napavine.

TO LOWER AGE OF ADMISSION

I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge to Consider Amendment—Officers Chosen.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Sept. 21.—One of the matters to come before the present session of the sovereign grand lodge of Oddfellows today will be the amendment introduced at the grand lodge meeting last year, to further guard against the admission into the order of any person who may be directly or indirectly engaged in the manufacture, sale or distribution of intoxicating liquors. At present the order refuses to admit any man who is engaged in selling liquor.

Another proposed amendment to the constitution which will be voted upon at the present session is that of changing the law to admit to membership those who are only 17 years of age. The order now does not take in anyone under 21.

The Chicago delegates are making a strong fight to secure the sessions of the sovereign grand lodge for next year, and are advertising that city's claims by issuing "boosting" badges.

Acting Grand Sire W. L. Kuykendall of Wyoming was elected grand sire at the first business session of the sovereign grand lodge, late yesterday afternoon. John B. Cochran of Indianapolis was elected deputy grand sire. Louis F. Hart, grand secretary of the grand lodge of Washington, was appointed reading clerk of the sovereign grand lodge. W. H. Leedy of Indiana was appointed journal clerk.

HILL TO IRRIGATE LANDS NEAR CLIFFS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Cliffs, Wash., Sept. 21.—Samuel Hill and associates have bought up farms adjoining Cliffs on the west and northwest and extending back for six or eight miles. They now own several thousand acres of fine land, controlling practically all of the old orchards that made the Columbia river valley famous. Last week a large force of men commenced work on a cement dam about four miles northwest of Cliffs, at the junction of two large canyons leading from the Klickitat valley. By this short, high dam sufficient area for a large reservoir will be formed to contain enough water to irrigate the Hill holdings.

WILL IRRIGATE CAMAS PRAIRIE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Husum, Wash., Sept. 21.—The Camas Prairie country, 15 miles northeast of here, will soon be put under irrigation. A company headed by William R. King of Portland, proposes to take water from the Big Klickitat river, 10 miles northwest of Glenwood, and bring it out on the highlands of Camas Prairie. This is a level stretch of prairie land heretofore considered good for grazing purposes only. The installing of an irrigating system will greatly enhance the value of the lands.

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TWO GRILLS MAY LOSE LICENSES

Council Committee Recommends Revocation Without Any Delay.

Councilman Cellars, framer of the anti-women-in-saloons ordinance, succeeded in a fight yesterday in having two restaurant liquor licenses recommended for revocation by the liquor license committee of the city council. The so-called grills which will be put out of commission if the council stands by the committee are the White Corner and the Valley cafe. The former is operated by G. D. Miller and the latter by B. J. Mackey.

The vote for revocation was 4 to 1. Councilmen Annand, Menefee, Helling and Devlin voted yes and Councilman Watkins voted no. Mr. Watkins said he did not want to be understood to be in favor of law breaking grills, but that he did not think one man's license should be revoked and others left unmolested. "On the principle, I suppose, that if there are 11 murderers at large and you have caught only one that you must turn that one loose until you get them all together," queried Councilman Cellars.

The vote was taken on the revocation of the Valley cafe Councilman Cellars called upon the proprietor to show cause why his license should not be taken away. All the defense this man could make was that he didn't know he was violating any law.

Mr. Cellars told of a visit to the place one night when drinks were being served to a dozen women and men, the only semblance of food seen about the pseudo grill by the councilman being a bowl of crackers and a lone frankfurter. "Business is pretty quiet tonight," volunteered the hard-working piano player of the place as he pointed to the crowd.

"Well, if business was dull that night," declared Mr. Cellars, "I can't imagine what a big night would be like there."

The committee voted not to revoke the license of C. L. Kline, who has recently opened a "restaurant" in connection with his saloon across the corner from the city hall. Kline's application was refused at first because he had placed thick curtains on the windows, making it almost impossible for the interior to be viewed from the street.

"I don't think there is one of these grill rooms in the city so fitted up that a person from the outside can get a clear view of the interior," said Councilman Watkins.

"If you know of any such places it is your duty to inform the council," replied Councilman Cellars.

CASTLEROCK MAN INJURED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Castlerock, Wash., Sept. 21.—George Smith was painfully injured last Saturday, while working in a logging camp a short distance from this city. He was standing on a log at work when a flying log struck him on the legs, knocking his feet from under him and causing him to turn a back somersault. A gash two inches long was inflicted on the back of his head, laying the flesh open to the skull.

INVESTORS VISIT CENTRAL OREGON

Men Who Backed Oregon Trunk Cross State in Automobile.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Bend, Or., Sept. 21.—V. D. and W. H. Williamson, who backed the original Oregon Trunk project and were understood to be the financial power behind the Porters at the time they commenced the fight against the Harriman interests, were in Bend Friday. Accompanying them were Robert Raa, in charge of Hill surveying between Redmond and Bend, and at the outset heading construction work near Trail Crossing, and Paul Bates and Al Viggers.

The automobile party came directly through from Shaniko, making only brief stops enroute to look over the country to be tapped by railroads. They will proceed to Lakeview, it is understood, leisurely examining the southerly part of the territory to be opened. From the southern part of the state the party will return to Bend.

MURDER CHARGE AGAINST VETERAN

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Napa, Cal., Sept. 21.—Following his preliminary hearing, Robert C. Johnson, aged 30 years and a veteran of the civil war, is in jail here charged with the murder of John Lennox of the veteran's home, an old soldier who fought through the Civil war. Early in September, it is alleged, Johnson shot and instantly killed Lennox in a blind pig conducted by the former near here. Before the shooting the two had entered into a heated altercation.

TROOPS BREAK CAMP AT FORT STEVENS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Fort Stevens, Or., Sept. 21.—After a sham battle, the regular troops stationed at Fort Stevens, Or., broke camp today in a heavy rain and returned to their quarters. The conditions of camp breaking were similar to actual warfare, the men being marched in from the field, camp broken, equipment loaded on quartermaster wagons and every preparation made for an immediate move.

Milwaukee to Welcome Japanese.

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 21.—Arrangements have been perfected by the Milwaukee chamber of commerce for the reception and entertainment of the Japanese commercial delegates who are to arrive in this city tomorrow for a stay of two days. A public reception, a banquet and an inspection of the large industrial establishments in Milwaukee and vicinity are to be features of the program.

Firearms Use Barred.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Fort Stevens, Or., Sept. 21.—Recent orders forbid the carrying and using of

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firearms on Fort Stevens reservation. Heretofore hunting with shotguns and light caliber rifles has been permitted. The carelessness of hunters is responsible, a .45-caliber rifle ball having entered the quarters of one of the officers and narrowly missed a servant.

Taxation Conference in Louisville. Louisville, Ky., Sept. 21.—Delegates from more than 30 states and several of the Canadian provinces were on hand today at the opening of the third international tax conference. Governor Augustus E. Wilson welcomed the visitors. President Allen R. Foote, in his opening address, recommended the adoption of a resolution, requesting congress to repeal the law taxing corporations, so that this source of revenue may be reserved for the exclusive use of the several states.

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