

NO MORE CONTRACTS IN THIS STATE FOR CAREY ACT PROJECTS

Governor West Outlines Land Board's First Consistent, Definite Irrigation Policy.

Salem, Or., Jan. 21.—With nearly all Carey act land irrigation projects in the state proven failures or wobbling financially at the present time, Governor West yesterday afternoon laid down the first consistent and definite irrigation policy ever adopted by the state...

Two Out of Thirty. Governor West's resolution, adopted by the board yesterday, giving information that since the first irrigation list was filed with the state under the Carey act in April, 1902, there have been filed from time to time about 30 similar segregation lists covering in the aggregate round numbers 750,000 acres, and but two concerns have during the 14 years' time fully completed their projects...

Kay Has Objection. Kay immediately objected to the resolution, saying it would not be binding, and that he was opposed to the state having anything to do with any more projects.

The governor declared the purpose was to outline a policy for the board and to clean up all Carey act projects. He said that those that could make good the board would support, but the others ought to be stricken from the Crawford record that the paragraphs numbered one and two be adopted and the last two be rejected, but this was not put for the want of a second. The resolution was then adopted by voting for it except Kay, who said the thing was unbecome and merely for the purpose of getting on the records.

State Engineer Lewis moved an amendment to authorize the expenditure of not to exceed \$100,000 for investigation, saying this large sum was needed as the seepage losses in the present system of the Central Oregon company must be determined in order to know how much water would be available for the north canal unit.

When the governor and the other members of the board opposed this, Lewis opposed the entire resolution, against which all the members voted except the governor. Lewis said he was opposed to the state taking up any projects until after the people voted on a constitutional amendment, which will be submitted at the next election, making it possible to bond the state for such projects.

Representative of the Powder Land & Irrigation Co., which is endeavoring to finance a project of 43,000 acres in Baker county, asked for a year's extension of time on the company's contract, as the company has not been able to finance the undertaking. He said that the company did not intend to begin any construction work until the \$2,000,000 was secured, which would be enough to complete one unit of the project.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR BIG CONVENTION

Sunday School Associations Plan Annual Event to Be Held at Albany.

Albany, Or., Jan. 21.—Tentative plans were made Monday night at a conference between Rev. F. W. Emerson of Albany, president, and Charles A. Phipps of Portland, secretary of the Oregon State Sunday School association, and all the superintendents of Sunday schools of Albany, and a delegation from the Commercial club, for the holding of the annual convention here April 21, 22, and 23, and also the girls' conference, on April 25 and 26, an auxiliary to the convention. Between 300 and 400 delegates are expected to attend the convention and 250 the conference. The plans were thoroughly discussed, and a tentative program was announced.

The principal speakers will be Governor West, John L. Alexander of New York City; international superintendent of the teenage work and an eminent authority on boys' work, and Dr. John H. Boyd of Portland.

There will be other speakers. The convention is to be held in sections in the various local churches. The following committees are to be appointed at a meeting of the Sunday school superintendents next Sunday afternoon: Executive, extension, registration, publicity, reception building, banquet, music, finance and girls' conference.

"FASHION PLATE" COUNT WITH ODD BELIEFS IS DEAD

Count said in part: "When in the course of my existence as a human being I shall be called upon to lose my grip on health and thus become a prisoner of disease (whether accidentally, by contagion or otherwise), when my sufferings—from my point of judgment—outweigh my desire to continue my existence or struggle for recovery, or when, in other words, my desire to escape (physical or mental) pain becomes stronger than my quest for happiness (which, unknown to the majority of the human race, forms the pivot of all human and animal action), or when, in the distressing conditions just described, I shall instinctively, intuitively, beg for or ask, directly or indirectly, by words or signs, that my sufferings be ended and my life mercifully exchanged for death, or 'eternal sleep,' then shall it become the duty of the United States marshal, or his deputy, or the attending physician, or an agent of the humane society, or Dr. Osler, to administer to my suffering body as a liberator, and to employ or other expedient remedy, as the case may demand."

Bit of Doggerel Found. The count's creed is summed up in a bit of doggerel contained in the document: "What are you and I But a stew and a fry, A fizz and a whizz, A scramble for biz, And a red-hot fire when we die?"

At the time it was first reported that Captain R. F. Scott had perished in the Antarctic, Count Seymour announced that he would lead an expedition to recover the body of the intrepid explorer, confident that Captain Scott was merely benumbed from the cold and not physically dead. He asserted that from experiments with frogs, fish, rodents, cats and dogs he was confident that cold does not extinguish the spark of life. It was this that formed the basis of his claim that he would bring Scott back to life. For some unknown reason the count's expedition never materialized.

Bad News Costs Reason. Los Angeles, Jan. 21.—Anna Gaffney fainted when she read a telegram saying that her mother was dying in Denver and when she revived had lost her memory and reason. Her condition is serious.

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BUILDER OF CANADIAN PACIFIC, STRATHCONA, IS DEAD AT AGE OF 93

Greatest Individual Holder of Land in World Leaves Fortune of \$125,000,000.



Lord Strathcona.

London, Jan. 21.—Lord Strathcona, who died peacefully in his sleep just before 2 a. m., will be buried in Highgate churchyard beside his wife, it was stated today. Lady Strathcona died only last November and her husband, who was devotedly attached to her and then past his ninety-third birthday, never fully recovered from the shock. The direct cause of his death was prostration due to an attack of catarrh of the bladder.

His title and the bulk of his huge estate will go to his daughter, Marguerite Charlotte, wife of R. J. Bliss Howard. Lord Strathcona, first baron (created 1897), was born in Scotland in 1820, a son of Alexander Smith, Archibishop, and Barbara, daughter of Donald Stuart, Leuchow. Lord Strathcona's full name was Donald Alexander Smith G. C. M. B. 1898; G. C. V. O. 1908; P. R. S., LL. D., P. C., D. L., high commissioner for Canada, which position he occupied since 1896.

"The Lion of the North," as Lord Strathcona was frequently called, married Isabel Sophia, daughter of the late Richard Hardisty of Canada. He had one daughter, Margaret Charlotte, who was married to R. J. Bliss Howard, F. R. C. S. Lord Strathcona was one of the most distinguished men in Canadian political life, and had been prominent in Canadian affairs for more than 25 years.

Not only did the famous high commissioner take a deep interest in the affairs of his beloved dominion, but he always displayed a liking for Americans. He was thoroughly familiar with American political conditions and had many friends in this country. In April, 1912, at the time of the Titanic disaster, Lord Strathcona contributed \$5000 to the New York city general fund for the sufferers, although he had already contributed generously to the lord mayor's fund in London. He was a close personal friend of James J. Hill.

Again in March, 1913, Lord Strathcona most generously gave \$5000 to the fund for the relief of sufferers from the disastrous Ohio floods. The career of the "Grand Old Man of Canada" was started in Scotland at the age of 16 years, when he sought and obtained work as an errand boy. In 1837 he crossed the Atlantic in the steerage, the voyage lasting 36 days.

As a pioneer in the service of the Hudson's Bay company, Strathcona rapidly rose to high rank, was created Sir Donald Smith, became governor of his company and president of the Bank of Montreal. In 1897 Sir Donald Smith was created a baron, was elected a fellow of the Royal Geographical society and created a knight in the order of the Grand Cross of St. George as well as a grand commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

order. During the Boer war he raised a mounted regiment at his own expense and presented it to Great Britain. As he paid his men more than twice the regular army pay, this piece of patriotism cost him something like \$2,000,000. His fortune, however, is estimated at \$125,000,000.

One of Lord Strathcona's earliest achievements to gain him fame was his work as special commissioner during the first Reil rebellion in the Red River settlements in 1869. He was thanked by the governor general in council for his services in this emergency.

In his early days Lord Strathcona was a true pioneer. For many years in his youth he lived in the forests of the northwest. Many months and even years were spent in weary Hudson's Bay company posts, buried in the wilderness. From a Scottish immigrant boy, bound over to the Hudson's Bay company, Donald Smith rose to become the president of those great companies, and also to become Lord Strathcona, largest individual land owner in the world, high commissioner for Canada and member of the British house of lords.

"Restaurant Rushers" to Jail. Albany, Or., Jan. 21.—Charged with eating a meal in a restaurant and refusing to pay for it, three men, declaring themselves to be sincerely in search of work and that they were strictly up against it, were taken before Justice Swan Monday, plead guilty and were given the minimum of 10 days in the county jail. They gave the names of Harry Morton, Oscar Ewing and Harry Miller, ranging in age from 20 to 24 years.

Long Beach Pioneer Celebrates. Long Beach, Cal., Jan. 21.—Jotham Bixby, father of Long Beach, and one of California's wealthiest pioneers, celebrated his ninety-third birthday anniversary by laying the cornerstone of a new Congregational church.

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"ALFALFA" WILL BE TALK OF SCHOOLS

Plan for Week's Observance in March Outlined by Supt. Churchill.

Salem, Or., Jan. 21.—State school Superintendent Churchill has outlined his plan for observing "alfalfa week" in this state in the following announcement: "Alfalfa growing is of such importance, not only to the livestock interests of the country, but also in its relation to the maintenance and upbuilding of soil fertility, that the entire second week of March has been designated by this office as 'alfalfa week.' Every school in Oregon, including the one-room country schools, the grades and high schools of the city, will be asked to observe the week through placing special emphasis in the language work on the subject of alfalfa growing."

"Bulletins of the Oregon Agricultural college and of the Holden improvement committee, which give valuable information about the growing of alfalfa, will be distributed among the schools. "In the lower grades, this work will take the form of story telling on the part of 2 a. m., will be buried in Highgate churchyard beside his wife, it was stated today. Lady Strathcona died only last November and her husband, who was devotedly attached to her and then past his ninety-third birthday, never fully recovered from the shock. The direct cause of his death was prostration due to an attack of catarrh of the bladder."

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