

WEATHER Tonight and tomorrow, rain; southerly winds. Humidity, 79.

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RAILROAD, SAYS IOWA RATE MAN

Clifford Thorne, Chairman of State Railroad Commission. Appears Against Nominee for Supreme Justice.

CLAIMS HE BLOCKED AN ATTEMPT TO CUT RATES

Broke Faith With His Associates in Railroad Rate Case, Claims Thorne.

Washington, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.) -"I charge Brandeis with being guilty of a breach of faith.

This accusation was hurled against President Wilson's nominee for United States supreme court justice, Louis D. Brandels of Boston, by Clifford Thorne, Iowa railroad commissioner, today. In a hearing as to Brandeis fitness for the post, Thorne claimed too, that the Bostonian had betrayed his trust "in one of the gravest and most important cases ever tried in this country"-the 5 per cent railroad rate matter.

Thorne's sensational declarations, and the defeat of Senator Clark's effort to send the hearing to the full judiciary committee, which is unfriendly to Brandels, instead of having the features in the opening fight on

the lawyer.

President Not Mentioned Reports previous to the hearing were that Thorne would charge the alleged breach of faith to Brandeis' desire to prevent President Wilson's political career from being shattered by an adverse decision of the rate case, that might react on the country's business situation. This charge was not voiced; but Thorne did charge that Brandels had assumed a position in favor of an increase, when uch was not needed.

Thorne declared that Brandels had resented the seaboard shippers in 1910, while Thorne represented the western shippers. Two questions were ther at stake: Were the railways council a number of days ago, officer of the best vestentified to more revenue, and if so, offer of \$109,550 was final,

I. C. C. Retained Brandels, In 1912, the Interstate Commerce commission retained Brandels as spe-cial counsel in the five per cent rate case. Thorne read the letter in which the commission engaged the Boston attorney. This instructed Brandeis not to attempt to prove any particular side. "Nevertheless," said Thorne, "he that a return of 71/2 per cent on the inestments of the railways was inadequate and niggardly.

Thorne said that Brandels had influenced the commission to have the Thorne argument against an increase placed ahead of the railroad attorneys. though Thorne had asked to follow The next development was Thorne's discovery that Brandeis be- do not believe that it is worth mo enough.

Brandeis Helped Bailroads. was dumbfounded," said Thorne

"He admitted what the railways had een trying for years to prove by every possible propaganda.' interrupted Senator Walsh, "Brandels only argued that their 'net revenue' was inadequate. He did not mit that the gross returns were inadequate, did he?" "All we discussed was the net revnue," replied Thorne.

Water Plant May Be Bought. Milwaukie, Or., Feb. 9.—Attorney V. S. U'ren appearing for the Milwaukie Water company, has made a proposition to Milwaukie offering the plant and all waiver rights to recover any damages through courts, for \$5500. A special election will be called whereby the council will be given power to complete a settlement.

Italy Expects War With Germany. London, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.)-Italy is expected to declare war on Germany and announce her participation in the Balkan campaign as a result of Premier Briand's trip to Rome, Paris reports said today. Briand is leaving Paris for the Italian capital today.

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Bombs Rained UponRamsgate by 2 Airships

British Admiralty Reports That No Damage Was Done by German

London, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.) -Two Ger man aeroplanes bombarded Ramsgate and Broadstairs at 3:30 o'clock this German Commerce Destroyer afternoon, but the admiralty announced that they did no damage.

Ramsgate is a seaport town of Kent. 67 miles from London. Broadstairs is a watering place two miles from Ramsgate. That the aeroplanes were the new Fokker type which England has feared would raid her coast is likely.

Germans Raid Saloniki. Athens, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -German eviators today were reported to have made another raid against the allies' encampment at Saloniki. The muchines were driven off before serious

CITY WILL CONSTRUCT

Council Decides on Course Today; Private Company Sticks to Its Price.

The city is to build its own water plant within the St. Johns district, according to a decision of the majority of the city council today.

The action was taken when a report of Commissioner Daly authorizing the about. water bureau to begin operations was taken in the three prizes." adopted. The report also provided that City Attorney La Roche should draft an ordinance providing for the sale of \$125,000 in water bonds to pay for the cost of construction.

Unless the company lowers its price of \$109,550 for the plant, today's action means that the city will build has been no word received at the city captor of the Appam had been capprice. When appearing before the formation. council a number of days ago, offi-

Three Are for, Two Against. The report was adopted by the votes of Commissioners Bigelow, Daly and Baker, while Mayor Albee and Commissioner Dieck opposed the plan, contend ing that the amount asked was a fair price.

In explaining his stand Commissioner Baker said that he was willing to pay \$108,000 for the plant and if committed himself to the proposition the company did not accept that, he was willing to have the city build its Drake, having been completed in 1905, own plant. Believing that it would Her complement numbers 557 men, norbring the matter to a quick issue he voted for the report, however.

even \$108,000 stating: "If the company is willing to accept \$109,550 for its plant it is willing accept \$100,000 from the city. lieved the railways were not earning than \$100,000 to the city. The council will make greater progress if it allows the water bureau to go ahead with its 5358-ton British passenger liner

Company Expected to Fight, ity to build a plant of its own wiff be resisted by officials of the water company as they contend that they hold an exclusive franchise to supply water in the district for a period of three years. City Attorney La Roche, however, says that the company does not hold an exclusive franchise.

Mud Slide Blocks

Slow Order Bule on Line Especially in Cuts and Pills Along River; Slide Mear Oroville,

Mud slid down from the side of a deep cut on the Oregon Electric early teday, at a point between Garden Home and Barstow, blocking traffic for several hours. The slide was of comparatively small extent, about 30 feet ong and covering the track to a depth of two feet, but it was troublesome to emove because of the instability of

the embankment. Slow orders were the rule among trainmen today all along the Oregon Electric, especially in the cuts, on the fills and along the river, where some trouble has been experienced with high water. Lack of satisfactory wire connections also contributed to the delays in handling trains. A slide near Oroyille yesterday has been cleared away and the high water that had backed into the Corvallis

depot had receded materially this No troubles caused by slides or high water had been reported today by the O-W. R. & N. or the North Bank main lines, trains running practically on schedule.

All Schools Are Open Except at Willbridge

All the public schools, except the portable at Wilibridge are in session today for the first time in 10 days. It s expected that the schools will be able to continue now without interruption. The bus could not get through to Willbridge this morning, but it is ex-pected that school will be open tomor-

Deny Kitchener to Resign. London, Feb. 8.—(U. P.)—Well informed persons denied today Earl Kitchener, war lord, is going to Egypt soon or that Lord Derby is to succeed him in his present post. It was said no changes in the ministry are contemplated.

Reported Taken by British Fight Near Bermuda.

TWO GERMAN PRIZES ARE TAKEN WITH HER \$2500.

British Report 32 Officers, 719 Men Taken With the Three Prizes.

New York, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.)-The Globe today said that a Bermuda message reported that the British cruise Drake, after a three hour fight, 200 miles northeast of Bermuda, had captured the German cruiser Roon. Roon was one of the vessels named as the possible captor of the British lines Appam, recently brought into Norfolk. Two merchantmen, one of them armed, were said to have witnessed the battle.

The Globe said it was unable to make public the source of its message which was as follows:

"Drake here today towing Room Took her two hundred knots, east, northeast Bermuda, three hours, running fight. Lost Danforth, 18 men Her loss is about one third. Struck as we came abeam. Took two merchantmen with her, one armed. Took both Brought here. Seagrave on sighting Roon haid; 'Please God today I'll avenge Cradock.' Roon badly knocked Thirty-two officers, 719 mer

Seagrave, mentioned above, is prob ably the captain who was with Admiral Cradock whose squadron was destroyed by the Germans some time haps significant that the British embassy at Washington Saturday night its own system. So far, however, there informed the United Press that the hall that the company will lower its tured, but refused the source of its in

> The British cruiser Drake has made navy. She displaces 14,100 tons, is 515 feet long and carries two 9.2 inch, six-teen 6 inch and fifteen smaller guns. She was completed in 1902. She cost about \$5,000,000 to build. Her crew

> numbers 900 men. The Roon is a slower boat, making 21.17 knots. She displaces 9050 tons, is 403 feet long and is armed with four 8,2 inch, ten 6 inch and eighteen smaller guns. She is newer than the

Commissioner Daly opposed paying LINER ORISSA MAY BE A VICTIM OF GERMAN RAIDER ON ATLANTIC

New York, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.) -The Orissa, plying between South America and England, is believed today to be It is probable that any plans of the at the bottom of the ocean, a victim of a German commerce raider. The report that this vessel had been destroyed arose from a Londor cable to a Wall street firm saying that "a large passenger steamer had met with a terrible accident in the

North Atlantic." The Orissa was last (Concluded on Page Four, Column Three)

The Oregon Electric JOHNSON CREEK GOES ON RAMPAGE; LENTS IS PARTLY SUBMERGED

Foster Road Under 2 Feet of Water Near Junction, Is Reported.

Flood conditions prevail in the counry around Lents due to high water in hnson creek, a stream which traerses the Lents district. Swollen by the rain and melting snow, Johnson creek is on rampage, overflowing its banks so as to almost over with water the entire countryside from Lents Junction to Sellwoo

Jardens. Foster road, where it crosses the stream, is nearly two feet deep in water and the lower floors of some 30 near Lents Junction are flooded. At Sellwood Gardens one house is reported to be in water up to its Johnson creek was reported to be

Banker Frozen to Death in Alabama

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -A. 7. Sceals, a wealthy banker of Fountainbleu, Miss., who had been missing for a week, was found frozen to death today. This is the first instance of the kind in the history of the Gulf

Lincoln Bound for Europe. London, Feb. 3 .- (U. P.) -- Ignatius incoln, an alleged German spy who caped from New York, is en route to Europe incognito, according to an unconfirmed report today. His wife is reported to be en route to Germany,

BULLETINS

Coast to Ship Arms to China. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 9,-(P. N. S. Arrangements for large shipments of arms and munitions from San Francisco, Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles to aid in a revolution against Yuan Shi Kai, recently proclaimed emperor of China, are understood to have been admitted here by the Los Angeles agent of a large munition factory. The deal is headed by Francisco Chinese, it is said.

Indict Society Woman, New York, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -- Mrs. Whitney Warren, society woman and the wife of one of America's foremost architects, was indicted here today on Cruiser Drake in Running charges of undervaluing goods brought from Europe in November.

Mrs. Warren is charged with bringing over gowns and millinery which she said were worth only \$1500 and which government appraisers valued at \$10,000. She pleaded not guilty and furnished bail in the sum of

Czar Ferdinand in Berlin. Berlin, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -Czar Ferlinand of Bulgaria, accompanied by the Bulgarian premier, arrived at German headquarters today.

Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and Foreign Minister von Jagow went into conference with the Bulgarian ruler immediately after his arrival.

Secret Wireless Stations.

Washington, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.)-Numerous secret wireless stations on both coasts of the United States are being operated by German and British agents, according to information received by the navy and commerce departments. It is believed that the information

is largely responsible for the government's recent decision to take over al private wireless stations 300,000 May Strike. New York, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -Three

nundred thousand additional garment workers today were expected to join the 100,000 women already out strike. Mayor Mitchel is attempting to straighten out the difficulty. Police are patrolling the strike district. .. Of ficials of the union and the city will meet tomorrow and attempt to adjust differences.

Steamer Without Fuel. San Francisco, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.)-The steamer Mary Olson, owned by the Olson & Mahony company, is adrifin the Gulf of Mexico because of lack ago. Danforth, the Globe said, was in the Gulf of Mexico because of lack probably a lieutenant. The British of fuel, according to wireless reports consul here had no confirmation of received here today. The owners will the story, but it was regarded as per- rush fuel to the disabled ship at once

Six Seattle Homes Today

One Woman Hurt When Avalanche Sweeps Down Alki Avenue and Menaces Life.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 9.—(U. P.)—Six homes were wrecked when an avalanche of mud broke loose and swept down on Alki avenue at 1:45 a. m. today. A dozen women and children es caped by crawling out of the wreck age of their homes. Mrs. E. M. Davis was cut about the hands and arms while climbing out of her demolished

A mile and a half bluff, 150 fee high is threatening to slide. Many residents in the hilly sections of the city have vacated their homes and sought safety in regions removed from the danger zone. Many houses, located beneath overhanging bluffs or on insecure hillsides, have been vacated. The slide which Monday nigh caused the death of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Guerney has resulted in the police taking precautions to prevent a

ordered to vacate dwellings situated in dangerous localities. The body of Guerney was recovered late yesterday after firemen sluiced the fallen earth.

FORMAL NOTE IS ALL NEEDED TO CONCLUDE THE LUSITANIA CASE

Agree Upon Germany's Informal Memorandum.

Washington, Feb. 9 .- (U. P.)-The Lusitania negotiations today awaited only the arrangement of technical details for a final satisfactory ending. Berlin will receive shortly by cable America's provisional acceptance of the German "last word in the case", and this acceptance will be complete when Foreign Secretary von Jagow at Berlin substitutes a formal note for the informal memorandum Ambassador von Bernstorff presented to the administration.

This memorandum, which President Wilson agreed yesterday would be ac ceptable when it was translated into a formal note specifically denoting that was in reply to the American note, is held practically to concede American demands.
In effect, it is a real disavowal of

the torpedoing, with loss of Americans. But what the president con siders is even more important, is that

Passengers and Train Grew Escape Injury When Seven Coaches of Great Northern

OCCUPANTS OF CARS SEVERELY SHAKEN UP

Six to Seven Hours Needed to Clear Wreck and Rapair Track.

All North Bank trains were tied up Granddalles when seven cosches of Great Northern train, No. 1, left the rails at that point at 7 o'clock this The cars pitched over on

No one was injured. The report received from the conductor of the train by the S., P. & S. officials, states that the train was moving slowly at the time of the accident and was stopped quickly. The passengers all were given a severe shaking up, however. It was estimated here that between six and seven hours would be required in which to straighten out the wreck and repair the track. The report of the cause was lacking, but it is believed to have been caused by a broken rail. No. 1 was due in Portland at 7:45 o'clock tonight.

TO BE HEADQUARTE IS FOR ANTI-ALLY PLOTS

Federal Agent Said to Have Secured Dictagraph Record of Conferences.

Boston, Feb. 9.—(U. P.)—That German agents, active against Canadian and American munitions plants, have moved their headquarters to this city is believed here today. Indeed, reports say that Federal Agent Schmidt, acting on a tip from British Ambassado Spring-Rice, trailed the alleged plotters to an office in the business dis trict on Milk street and took a dictagraph record of their conferences. The hasty move of the agents t this city is thought to have been the many details remain to be settled. result of a hurrled trip Schmidt's assistant made to Canada

Customs Collector Billings and Uni-ted States District Attorney Anderson have gone to Washington and this may mean that they are reporting to their superiors as to the new base of anti-ally activities. Authorities here hint that other cities have become too "hot" for the plotters and that they decided to make their headquarters here, inasmuch as

Boston has been free from suspicion in recent plotting cases.

The alleged plotters are said to have gone to their rendezvous in second disaster, and many have been limousine of a prominent Boston man. who would be in a position () buy dynamite without suspicion being di rected against him.

> Ottawa Investigates Fir). Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.)-The inquiry into the causes of the conflagration which destroyed the parliament building will open at the

> city hall on Thursday. The architects will be cal id, firs to produce plans of the buildings and after these formalities are over those persons will be called who were closest to the scene when the fire started.

Montreal Fears for City Hall. Montreal, Que., Feb. 9,-(I. N. S.)-Threats to blow up the Montreal city hall were received in Ottawa today by Germany and United States Mayor Martin of Montreal. He is hurrying to this city. Policemen are guarding the building. The city's records have been removed.

Stone Can Be Used On Local Postoffice Jury in Perkins Hotel Buffet

Washington, Feb. 9 .- (WASHING TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL. Stone can be used within the cos limit for the P. and postoffice reasury officials state. The use of orick urged by the Portland Chamber of Comerce representatives, prolves the redrafting of the plans and sevral weeks' delay. Architect Hobar s still going over the plans. Senator Chamberlain was kinons the 60 guests at the supren dinner at the White House las night

Russians Defeated By Persian Tribes the county pair. The purpose of leniency. Schults' attorneys will appeal.

Reaches Homesteader Man Faced Starvation County Sends Out Expedition

tain cabin on the Columbia river highlands, just when he had given up hope and believed himself overcome by the olizzard. The relief expedition was sent out

by the board of county commiss Leave Rails at Grand les and H. D. Griffin, chairman of the county board of relief. The rescue party returned to Portland last night after several days of toiling on snow-shoes through the deep drifts over obliterated trails.

Templeton is crippled with muscu-lar rheumatism. When the first deep snows came, he found himself unable to venture out to cut fuel. Last week the shake roof of his shack collapsed under its weight of snow and his little stove was overturned. He could not set it up again.

He subsisted on raw meal, sugar condensed milk and uncooked rice. Man Rendered Zelpless.

Being unable to set up his stove o to get fuel for it if he had succeeded, Templeton took to his bed for warmth and, when found by a party of three near, the man was so ill from his raw food diet and so benumbed by cold and his rheumatic condition as to be help-

The rescue party consisted of George X. Riddell, R. L. McLeod and T. R. Conway, who were directed to the Tem-

Relief reached James E. Templeton, pleton cabin by a rancher named Bel nowbound and enfeebled in his mounurday night, leaving the train at Bridal Veil, where supplies were obtained. From that point on, the relief party had a constant fight with drifts. required three hours to go from Bridal Veil to Palmer, four miles. At o'clock Sunday afternoon the men reached Multnomah basin, where they met Bellings, and stayed the night at an abandoned cabin. The expedition was renewed Monday morning and Templeton's cabin was reached in four hours.

One Resouer Bemains. After setting up the stove, clearing the snow from the dooryard and cutting a week's supply of wood, the Portland men returned home, renewing the fight against the blizzard. Bellings remained to provide more fuel and get the cabin roof repaired. That Templeton would have died within a few days had not relief reached him was the declaration today of members of the rescue party, who

Templeton is a city man who had taken up a homestead on Cub mountain. Last year's mild winter con-

said he was suffering intensely from

DANGER AT PORTLAND OFFENSIVE IS REPORT HINGES ON COLUMBIA FROM GREEK SOURCES

Movement Toward Bulgarian Thrace and French Disem-Is Report. barkation Are Expected.

Londos, Feb. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -The thens correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs: "It is reported from Bucharest that the German and Bulgarian army com-If the Columbia, swollen by rains manders intend to request the with-drawal of the neutral powers at Mon-astlr in Bulgarian and Turkish Thrace and melting snows, comes down with

"The allies at Saloniki, after entrenching thoroughly, are now making reconnaisances. The Athens Hestia, according to dispatch to the London Daily Telegraph, states that fundamental differences exist between Bulgaria and Austria on the question of an attack

on Saloniki. Hence the delay that has occurred. It is believed that an arrangement in principle has been arrived at, but "Germany," concludes the Hesti "has, however, to replace the Turkish forces that have been withdrawn from the Balkan front and sent to the Cau

On the other hand the Ethnos in the course of an article on the position "All signs indicate that the allies are definitely preparing an offensive. Their attention lately has been turned to the east and the indications are for movement toward Bulgarian Thrace,

and further disembarkations in the Gulf of Orphanos of French army corps are expected shortly. "The allies calculate that there are 130,000 Bulgars on the frontier. It is the Inman-Poulson Lumber Co. at an noteworthy that since two German early hour this morning. One brought regiments have reinforced the Bulgara in the Doiran-Strumnitza sector, the

"There is still no reason for expecting an attack on Saloniki. The key of the situation really lies in Vienna and Sofia, where negotiations continue to obtain Bulgaria's participation, without which an attack would be impos-

SCHULTZ CONVICTED FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROHIBITION LAW

Deliberates Than One Hour for Verdict.

George Schultz, proprietor lessee of the Perkins Hotel buffet old moorings.
since January 1, was convicted today Practically by a jury in District Judge Dayton's court on a charge of maintaining a nuisance under the dry laws of Oregon, The jury retired just before noon and was out less than an hour returning a sealed verdict in the absence of the judge. The verdict was opened at 2 o'clock. The sentence was three months in the county jail. The jury recommend-

Basing his argument almost entirely

vinced him that he could remain safely this winter with his temporary abode, which was merely a tent house

Willamette River Is Rising; Crest Will Be Here Friday.

Danger to Portland from floods is dependent largely upon the behavior of improvements. the Columbia river, according to District Forecaster Beals.

a rush from the upper river country before the Willamette is given an opdoubtedly suffer, Just what the Columbia is doing or how it is acting is not known in Portland, due to the fact wires are down and it is impossible to get reports. At Lewiston on the Snake, the stage is 3.8 feet; at Umatilla the Columbia

river is 3.1 feet above low water, and at The Dailes it is 3.5 feet, with a rise since yesterday.

Crest Expected Friday. Mr. Beals predicts that the Willam-ette will reach a stage of 17.5 feet above zero at Portland on Friday.

The height today is 15.2 feet, a rise of 2.6 feet since yesterday morning. The crest of the flood of the lamette passed Albany at 8 o'clock last night, with a stage of 28 feet, dropping a foot since yesterday morning.

will pass Salem this afternoon, and is due to reach Portland Friday. Reports from Jefferson on the Santiam, and Cazadero, on the Clackamas, show that these streams are falling which make for the alleviation of conditions in the Willsmette.

Logs Are Torn Loose. Two booms of logs broke loose from up about the Morrison street bridge and another about the draw pier of Bulgarian desertions across the Greek the Burnside bridge, effectually clos-frontier have ceased. There is still no reason for expect. steamers Henderson, Cascades, Hard Tack, Gamecock and Echo managed to open up one side of the draw before noon and expected to have the rest of the logs cleared away bfore 2 o'clock. The Henderson is to bring a raft of logs through the river this

Shortly before 8 o'clock a scow bottom up, and believed to be one of the two belonging to the Columbia Digger Co., which sank when its the Willamette river last eve digger No. 3 went down last week, order to reach Eugene in tim went through the harbor but did not meeting held here to further touch anything. It is believed to in the laymen's convention in have brought up on the point of Swan land, island and to be out of danger. Swimming Tank Adrift.

Later in the morning a swimming tank, believed to be from the Oregon Yacht club colony, went down the river. Several launches took after it, hoping to salvage the structure. It is believed it will be saved. Considerable driftwood was also running this morning, making it dangerous for small craft. The Port of Portland boathouse was moved to Stark street from the foot of

Oak street this morning that it might be gotten away from the full sweep of the current which it received at its Practically all transportation com panies had completed moving their goods from lower docks this morning and no loss will entail if the river comes over the rest of the lower levels. Ankeny, Ash and one of two fuel docks on the east side of the river were submerged this morning.

Corvallis Partly Inundated. Corvallis, Or., Feb. 9.—The low lanes between Corvallis and Grey are en-tirely submerged and the country is in Persia have met with a sevate defeat at the hands of Persian tribespoen, and controversy is known to have been the report Colonel House forwarded as President Wilson's personal envoy.

While the contents of this report may never be made public, it is understood that the colonel emphasized conditions he found in Germany to have been:

A spirit that Germany had made her inal concessions.

A growing demand for resumption of iConcluded on Page Four, Column Two)

In Persia have met with a sevate defeat at the hands of Persian tribespoen, and at the state exceeded its at the substance of propriety in obtaining evidence, James McCue consumed virtually the morning. The ticket cases and office papers were taken off in a boat. Three residences near the depot have the case and the case was a professional witness and, therefore, unreliable. He declared further that every with flower tribespoen the obtaining evidence, James McCue consumed virtually the morning. The ticket cases and office papers were taken off in a boat. Three residences near the depot have the case.

Serbs Check Austrians!

Corfu, Feb. 9.—(I. N. S.)—The following official statement was issued to fliquor from Schultz, was a professional witness and, therefore, unreliable. He declared further that every with authority and oversteeped the bounds which, activity and oversteeped the bounds authority and oversteeped the bounds whic great lake. Two of the big trestles on the Ore

Question of Vital Interest Settlers on Reclamation Projects- Brought Up in a Test Case in Idaho.

LAND COMMISSIONER TALLMAN SAYS NO

Power Companies on Government Lands Are Said Not to Be Exempt.

Land Grant Mearing Washington, Feb. 3.—(WASH-INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)-The house o nittee on public lands today fixed February 17 for hearing the Oregon - California land grant case. Senator Cha lain, Representative Hawley, other congressional delegation and departmental officers are to be heard. Governor Withycombe has been invited to delegate a state official for the hearing if de-sired. A general invitation has

been issued to all wishing to

TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL -It develops that Clay Talls commissioner of the general office, is on record in, save instances with opinions that lands in which the Unit States possesses a lien, however am are not subject to taxation, and the fore cannot be sold by the state for

non-payment of taxes on pern Will R. King, chief counsel for reclamation service, recently gave I opinion on this line as to taxarion improvements made by settlers reclamation projects. The ques test case intended to settle the troversy was lately begun by the ed States district attorney for li seeking to have declared Hiegal taxes levied by officials of Ca county, in that state, on the

and improvements of entrymen non-patented lands. Tallman Cites Righ Decis Commissioner Tallman, in an e given last May, cited the case of Brocklin vs. Tennessee, decided by United States supreme court, as thority for holding that public li are exempt from state taxation, in the absence of an exemption of

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DR. LUTHER H. DYOT DRIFTS ON FLOODING TIDE OF WILLAMETTE

Portland Pastor Upon Reacl ing Land Walks Shak Trestles to His Meeting,

Eugene, Or., Feb. 9 .- Dr. Luther Dyott, pastor of the First Congational church of Portland, in iled his life in the flood waters

Dr. Dyott had been at Com-attending a similar meeting. He pected to take the Oregon Ele-train for Eugene, but when reached the station across the from that city he found that trains were running on that I The overflow waters from the were racing across the lowlands Dr. Dyott bired a boatman to him across the stretch of water, in the midst of the stream the nearly overturned. The boatman control of the craft, which spe the stream several hundred yas The boatman and Dr. Dyott reached dry land, and Dr. walked several miles over trestles and along the grade of branch to Gray, where he too main line train for Eugene, rethere too late for the beginning the meeting, but in time to manage of the second s

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