

## 9500 HOMES TO RISE ON LANDS OF O. & C. GRANT

Passage of Act by Congress Means Settlement and Productivity of Millions of Idle Acres in Oregon Valleys.

The passage of the Oregon-California land grant bill has opened the door through which 9500 families can come to build 9500 homes in the valleys of Oregon. It means that lands have been opened to settlement which have been unlawfully sequestered from the public by the railroad company for a quarter of a century, and which aggregate 368,000 acres of the most cultivated area of the state. It means that these lands, capable of immediate agricultural development and capable of annually yielding \$48,125,000 worth of produce, will soon be ready to furnish abiding places for 47,500 industrious and producing citizens.

Oregon's Gift \$22,000,000. Congress, through the passage of the land grant bill, has given the state a conditional present of \$22,000,000 in money. Those who have followed its course know, and regret that the state did not receive the treatment it should have been accorded by the national house of representatives, but yet they are taking stock of the situation, and estimating just what the fruits of the land grant law may be.

Here are some of the promises held out by the act for the coming generations of Oregon. It means that the irreducible school fund will ultimately be enriched by the addition of \$11,000,000, with an annual interest income of \$660,000 for the benefit and advancement of the common schools of the state.

Seventeen Counties to Profit. It means that the 17 grant land counties will be given \$11,000,000 for the construction and maintenance of roads and port projects, which sum, if conserved in like manner with the school fund, will yield an annual interest income of \$660,000.

It means that 1,500,000 acres of agricultural land, suitable for immediate entry and cultivation will be thrown open to the people of the state and the nation. It means, further, that this land will be cheap land, within the reach of the average man.

It means that in the land grant counties there will be farm land available in 160 acre tracts for settlement by 9500 producing families, or at the usual estimate, five to the family, by 47,500 people.

Farm Area Increased. The land grant bill makes possible the opening of 9500 more farms, capable of producing, on the basis of income furnished by existing farms, approximately \$48,125,000 each year.

This enumeration has not given consideration to the vast forests of merchantable timber which cover the non-agricultural lands in the grant. It has not attempted to estimate the indirect benefits which will naturally flow from the opening of the long-barred-up domain to individual use and ownership.

The shipment of \$48,000,000 worth of additional farm produce to market from Willamette valley and other southern and western counties comprised in the land grant district, and the hauling of necessities back, mean standing railroads and highways. It means more people in the towns of the district, more business done by the stores and the shops and the factories. It means a bigger and a busier state and fundamental progress and prosperity.

McCurt Is Optimistic. While those who have followed the land grant fight in congress feel that the state has not been given what should of right have come to it, yet they put that aside with the future in view. This sentiment is well expressed by John McCurt, former United States attorney for Oregon, who was in office when the land grant legislation was inaugurated.

"Congress did not do by the state as it should have done," Mr. McCurt said, in discussing the bill as passed. "Oregon was and is entitled to a greater proportion of the grant land proceeds than was given. The important thing now to be kept in mind, it seems to me, is to see that these lands are occupied as soon as possible by a producing and industrious citizenry. The money that will come as the lands are sold is incidental to the main thing that the lands will now be open for purchase at a reasonable price, so that the man of average means can buy, and that, because of this, these lands, which have been practically private preserves, will become a producing part of Oregon."

## Carranzistas Killed Driver of U. S. Truck

Man Had Entered Town Against Orders; Investigation of Incident Ordered; Was From New York City.

Columbus, N. M., June 8.—(P. N. S.) An American motor truck driver, identity not yet known, was shot and killed by Carranzista soldiers at El Valle on the night of June 3. He had entered the town against orders. His body was found the following morning.

An investigation has been ordered. The unknown driver belonged to Captain William H. Tobin's truck train. He was one of a crew of chauffeurs brought from New York city.

Train Crushes Feet Of Girl Who Hoboed

San Bernardino, Cal., June 8.—(P. N. S.)—Discovered lying on the Santa Fe railroad tracks in the Canyon Pass with both feet crushed off, Miss Elizabeth Huber, 23, who hoboed her way to California from her home in Massachusetts, was brought here today and it is stated she may die. The girl fell from a freight train on which she was stealing a ride. She was dressed as a man. In her pocket she had a letter from Harry Ebbell of Compton which said "I wish I had money enough to send for you."

## Evidence Found in Jitney Murder Case

New Tests Made on Ben Thompson's Shirt Give Slow Blood Reaction on All Parts of Garments.

Cumulative evidence tending to fasten on Ben Thompson the murder of Mrs. Helen Jennings and Fred Ristman, jitney driver, at the Jennings farm near Tualatin, on May 15, has been found by the officers working on the jitney murder mystery.

New blood tests made of the undershirt worn by Thompson and which was taken from the clothesline at the home of Mrs. James Thompson, in the Mount Scott district, soon after Thompson's arrest, gave a slow blood reaction on every part of the garment tested. This is taken by the officers to indicate that the shirt was so extensively smeared with blood that when the garment was washed the bloody water left blood traces all through the shirt.

## DEGREES CONFERRED, DIPLOMAS PRESENTED TO REED GRADUATES

Second Annual Commencement Held With Dr. E. O. Sisson Delivering Address.

On the lawn north of the main building at Reed college, the second annual commencement of that institution was held at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and degrees were conferred upon 47 graduates.

The commencement address was delivered by Dr. Edward O. Sisson, commissioner of education for Idaho. His subject was "Progress of Thought." His address followed an invocation given by Rev. Thomas Jenkins of St. David's Episcopal church and an address of welcome by President Foster, of the National Security League.

President Foster gave diplomas to the following graduates: Misses Pauline Altman, Cella Hunkins, Alta Armstrong, Frieda Bratzel, Adele Bratzel, Gretchen Bratzel, Mary Brownlee, Elsie Calkins, Dorothy Coffin, Ruth Dickinson, Hanna Friedenthal, Inez Gottra, Ruth Hall, Edna Johnson, Laura Kelly, Frances Kennicot, Olive Kincald, Maudie Laber, Estelle Launer, Mildred Linden, Elizabeth McVay, Virginia Markenzie, Barbara McLoney, Verna Menefee, Juanita Parker, Dorothy von Seigern, Flora Somme, L. Jensen, Lois Williams, Mrs. Agnes Weiler, and Roland Bristol, George Buland, Archibald Clark, Albert Genter, Helmut Krause, Alexander Lackey, Charles Mau, Darrell Milton, Frank Millican, Edgar Piper, Harold Smith, Dean Webster, August Willman and Lawrence Young, Harry Weinbrake and Kenneth Tomlinson and Howard Barlow, graduates of 1915.

## Parade Is Planned For Preparedness

San Francisco, June 8.—(P. N. S.)—More than a score of semi-military, civic and fraternal organizations as well as the newly formed branch of the National Security League will participate in the citizens' preparedness parade here July 8.

At a meeting of the executive committee today, copies of various sub-committee reports were received and the real work of organizing the parade actively started.

A whole division of the parade was planned by representatives of 100 building contractors. Other organizations already pledged to participate include the Red Men, Moose, Loyal Legion, Security League, National Defense League of California, Pacific Coast Defense League, Nationals, California Grays, League of the Cross Cadets, Downtown association, Spanish-American War Veterans, Veterans of Naval War and San Francisco Real Estate board.

Dr. Currey Divorced. Baker, Ore., June 8.—Dr. H. E. Currey was granted a divorce from his wife, Lulu P. Currey. The decree was handed down in a few hours after the complaint was filed. Currey asked separation on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment. Mrs. Currey, in her own complaint for divorce against Currey, filed recently and dropped later, alleged Dr. Currey was guilty of improper relations with his stenographer, Lulu P. Currey, who was recently found guilty and fined in the federal court for misuse of the mails, and recently was dismissed on a charge of sending medicine through the mail locally.

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**FATIMA**

**TURKISH CIGARETTES**

**A Sensible Cigarette**

## PORTLAND BANKERS END SESSION WITH AN ANNUAL BANQUET

Entertainment Staged at the Portland Hotel Last Night Was Enjoyable Affair.

## DECORATIONS ELABORATE

Martini Cocktail of Cold Tea and an Olive and Light Wine Without Alcohol Served.

Portland bankers were generous hosts at the banquet which closed the eleventh annual convention of the Oregon State Bankers' association. The final feature of the entertainment provided the visiting bankers was staged last night at the Portland hotel. It was an exceedingly elaborate affair.

The tables were arranged in three sides of a square. Between the two longest rows was a profuse display of ferns and flowers, the beauty of which was accentuated by electric lighting effects. The tables, too, were profusely decorated with flowers and greenery. Intertwined between the decorations numerous multicolored electric lamps glowed. The whole made a beautiful effect when, preceding the service of one course, the dishes carried by the waiters were also illuminated.

The menu was elaborate and seasonal. By way of temptation a martini cocktail of cold tea and an olive, and a light California wine without alcohol gave a fizzing imitation of an extra dry but now forbidden beverage.

F. C. Malpas, president of the Portland Clearing house, representing the hosts of the occasion, presided. Just two speeches were made. Both were of a highly humorous order. One was flavored with Swedish stories and was delivered by Otto W. Nelson of the First National bank of St. Paul. The other was sung and said in the intimate

able Irish brogue and dialect for which J. W. Bennett of Flanagan & Bennett, bankers of Marshfield, has long been famous among Oregon bankers.

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Angels' Rest Also Is Given to World

Angels' Rest is near the summer home of Charles Cooney and Mr. Cooney had charge of the arrangements. Returning from Multnomah Falls, H. L. Pittcock touched an electric button at a point below Angels' Rest and immediately a flag unfurled on the heights above. A trail leaving the highway at Cooney falls leads to the viewpoint 1500 feet above.

Other Folks' Roses Costly.

"We just wanted them and took them," said Edward Katka when he was asked his reason for stealing roses from the Beaver apartments, Twentieth and Marshall streets, shortly before 1 o'clock this morning. The explanation in municipal court cost Katka and his partner, Peter Goergen, 48 years old, fines of \$5. The men were arrested by Patrolman D. D. Day.

Mazama Entries Close Friday.

Registration for the trip the Mazamas will make Saturday and Sunday to Mary's Peak, near Corvallis, will close at the club headquarters, Northwestern Bank building, Friday evening. So far the registration has been large and it is possible that a special train may be secured for the trip.

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This ideal white slipper in 98c misses' and children's sizes at Ladies' size on sale now at.....\$1.48

59c for ladies' boys' and children's canvas oxfords with rubber soles all sizes, now selling at, pair.....59c

Over 3000 Pairs of Men's and Boys' Shoes on Sale at Following Prices

\$2.98 for men's \$4 and \$4.50 shoes and oxfords, black, tan and brown, all sizes.....\$2.98

\$1.98 for men's black and tan, also patents, sample shoes, sizes 5 to 7, worth up to \$4.00, the above sizes only at.....\$1.98

98c for boys' all solid lace shoes, best \$1.50 grades, sizes 9 to 12, on sale at.....98c

Sizes 1 to 6 1/2 on sale at.....\$1.48

Great Sale of Ladies' Street and Party Pumps, \$1.98

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For ladies' Street Pumps, plain Pumps or Oxford shoes. These come in patent, gunmetal, dull kid, new blue and white velvet, turned or weaved soles, all shapes of heels, over 40 styles to select from. This is a great sale. Special price for these \$3.00 and \$3.50 low cuts for \$1.98.

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50c Burton Skin Ointment.....29c

50c Burton Scalp Pomade.....29c

40c Carter Dyspepsia Tablets.....29c

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15c Laurence Tar Soap.....9c

75c Lennox Hair Tonic.....49c

25c Benzoin Cream.....14c

25c Owl Corn Pain.....14c

50c Elixir Cascara.....29c

25c Essence Pepsin.....14c

50c Formaldehyde Disinfectant.....30c

25c Lavender Salts for headaches.....15c

25c Magic Insect Powder.....14c

25c Rose Cold Cream.....14c

25c Three-in-One Oil.....2 for 25c

10c Two-in-One Shoe Dressing.....5c

25c Blanco for white shoes.....15c

25c Sani-Flush.....15c

10c Menthol Inhaler.....5c

25c Musterole.....15c

50c Mead's Dextri Maltose.....33c

10c Box Corn Plasters.....5c

10c Box Bunion Plasters.....5c

25c Kidney Plaster.....2 for 25c

\$1.00 Pinkham's Compound.....67c

10c Box Empty Capsules.....5c

Mulsified Coconut Oil.....33c

25c Graves' Tooth Powder.....2 for 25c

25c Bird Complexion Powder

White, flesh or brunette.....19c

10c Toilet Pumice Stone.....5c

50c Pond's Vanishing Cream.....33c

50c Ounce Perfume

Choice of eight odors.....35c

50c Syrup of Figs.....29c

40c Imported Bay Rum.....29c

10c French Chalk, 1 lb.....5c

10c Sassafras Bark.....5c

25c Spirit Camphor.....15c

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Sanitary glass complete with Williams' Shaving Soap. Regular 25c Special.....19c

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The Safety Razor that any man can shave with easier than most safeties because it enables you to use the diagonal stroke.