

CLASSIFICATION PLAN LAUNCHED TODAY BY FIELD CHIEF SHARP

Supplies, Instruments, Etc.,
Shipped to Ashland for
Use of Crew.

ROAD'S AIM UNCERTAIN

Speculation Centers on What Steps
Southern Pacific May Take to Con-
test Oregon Land Grant Case.

The first step in the work of classifying the Oregon-California grant lands will be taken today when Louis L. Sharp, chief of the field division of the general land office, who is to have charge of the work, begins the shipment of supplies, instruments and other necessary materials to Ashland for the use of the crew which is to take the field the first of the coming week.

All things necessary for the commencement of the work will be assembled at Ashland by the first of the week and Mr. Sharp will leave Portland Sunday for Ashland to take personal charge of the work and see that it is started off in proper shape.

To Start at California Mine

According to the plan mapped out, the work of classification will be commenced at the California line and the men will come north. As rapidly as agricultural land is classified in units of sufficient size to warrant their being handled in separate segregations these units will be checked up and the reports forwarded to the general land office at Washington. These reports will then be checked over by that office and verified, approved and instructions sent to the local land office to take the steps preparatory to throwing the lands so classified open to entry.

It is believed that the first of the agricultural lands will be classified and ready for entry by the latter part of the present year. All of the agricultural land in the grant will very probably be ready for entry in time to be filed upon during the summer and fall of 1917.

Will Railroad Act?

There is much speculation among those who are interested in the opening of the grant lands as to what steps the Southern Pacific Railroad company will take, if any, to contest or delay the classification and entry of the grant lands.

So far as is known, the matter will be handled by the San Francisco legal department, under the supervision of Peter F. Dunne, chief counsel for the Southern Pacific at San Francisco.

It has been intimated that the company may attack the equity of Judge Wolverton's decision, holding that the company has an equity of \$250 an acre in the lands, by showing that some of the lands have been assessed for a much higher figure and that the company has been paying taxes during past years on a valuation, in some cases, of \$100 an acre.

Lawyers Give Views

Lawyers who have followed the land grant litigation believe that all of the questions involved in the case can be raised in the suit now pending in the United States supreme court on appeal from Judge Wolverton's decision, and that the decision of the high court on that appeal will be final and end further litigation.

It is also believed that the decision of the United States supreme court, the recent land grant legislation based upon that decision and the procedure of the government under the terms of that act, will be held to be a bar to further litigation or change.

In any event, it is apparent that the general land office will proceed with the authority of the grant land act with the work of classifying the lands, as provided by the act, so that no time will be lost through litigation, unless the court should hold that congress had no power to enact the law now in force.

No Trace Has Been Found of Aged Man

David H. Brazzell, Railroad Contractor,
Last Seen July 9 in Spokane When
He Left Eastbound Train.

No trace has been found of David H. Brazzell, aged railroad contractor, since he reached Spokane, July 3. Brazzell, who had been ill most of the winter, started for Wagner, South Dakota, July 8 and railroad men remembered him leaving the train at Spokane.

Brazzell is described as being over 6 feet in height, weighing 165 pounds, and wearing a salt and pepper suit and derby hat with initials. He was a smooth shaven. A drooping left eye lid is a mark by which he can be identified.

The aged man lived at 322 Tenth street and several relatives, among whom is a daughter, Mrs. Frances Chivington, live in Portland.

Longshoremen Sent Flowers

The police, the Moose, the Hibernians and the newboys were not the only organizations among whom Traffic Patrolman J. J. McCarthy, whose funeral was held yesterday, had friends. The longshoremen were present at St. Mary's cathedral during the services, in large numbers. McCarthy was a member of the local unions, and these organizations sent floral offerings. McCarthy was killed last Friday in an automobile accident at East Eighth street and Hawthorne avenue.

Club Will Give Luncheon

The newly organized Political Study league will hold a luncheon Saturday at 12 o'clock at the Commercial club. Mrs. Mary Mallett will speak. Reservations may be made by calling East 5476, and must be in by Friday evening.

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PORTLAND
JULY 29TH TO AUG. 5TH
The city will be crowded.
Make hotel reservations now.

New Perkins Hotel

Fifth and Washington Sts.
Announces
Moderate Rates will prevail

British Deny Defeat On Sinai Peninsula

German Wireless Dispatches Reporting
Cavalry Driven Back, Said by War
Office to Be Without Foundation.

London, July 27.—(I. N. S.)—Denial of German claims that British forces have been defeated on the Sinai Peninsula was made in an official statement from the war office here today. It said:

"It has been stated in German wireless dispatches that our cavalry was driven back from Roman, Katia, on the Sinai peninsula. Our cavalry has completed the occupation of Katia, and nowhere has been driven back. Our forces' complete superiority over the enemy has been established."

AFFIDAVITS READ IN WATERFRONT STRIKE INJUNCTION MATTER

No Witnesses Appear in Person Today in Hearing in Federal Court.

No witnesses were introduced in person at the opening of the longshoremen's strike injunction case before Federal Judge Wolverton this morning.

Arthur C. Spencer and Harold M. Sawyer, counsel for the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company, the Employers' association and the Chamber of Commerce, read affidavits intended to show that the strikers have interfered with the company, damaged its property, assaulted its union workmen, followed to their homes wives of non-union men, stoned launches and automobiles used to carry non-union workmen and by abusive and profane language sought to intimidate those friendly to the company in the strike.

The reading of rebuttal affidavits intended to show that the testimony as to violence has been greatly exaggerated and that unlawful acts have not been performed by the strikers, began just before noon by C. E. S. Wood and his associate, Mathison, counsel for the striking longshoremen. Among the spectators at the hearing were Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff and Eugene E. Smith, president of the Portland Central Labor council.

CONFESED, BUT NOT GUILTY

However, Donville Is Sentenced to Five Years for Perjury.

For swearing that he committed a crime of which he was innocent Federal Judge Wolverton sentenced J. C. Donville to five years in the federal prison at McNeil's island. Donville had previously been sentenced to 25 years imprisonment for complicity in the robbery of Station A of the Portland postoffice. Before a federal grand jury he had sworn that he participated in the robbery. Later he established an alibi, secured a new trial and was freed from the 25-year sentence. Donville still has three and one-half years in the state penitentiary to serve on a forgery conviction before his incarceration at McNeil's island begins.

Criminal Cases Again Go Over

An effort was made to transfer the case of Homer Nathaniel Ford to the case of Elizabeth C. Freely, recently extradited from Canada to face a charge of forgery, from Judge McGinn's court to Judge Gatens'.

Arrangements had practically been completed when it was found that Judge McGinn, who is indisposed, had dismissed the jury panel until Monday. It is possible the case will come to trial Monday, or again it may be put off until September. The case of Clyde E. R. Wallace, charged with subornation of perjury, which has been hanging fire for some time, was again postponed this morning.

Wife Stayed in East

In 1913 H. W. Collins came west from Hughesville, Pa., for his health. His wife refused to accompany him and is still in the east, according to the divorce complaint filed by Collins against Gertrude Ellen Collins in the circuit court this morning. They were married in Hughesville, May 12, 1906.

Club Is Incorporated

The East Side Business Men's club has filed articles of incorporation. Officers are given as J. Dannells, president; H. B. Catton, vice president, and M. M. Lepper, secretary-treasurer. Its purposes are described as the improvement and betterment of the east side, Portland and Oregon.

Divorce Suits Filed

Two new divorce suits have been filed in the circuit court as follows: George F. Schenfield vs. Sarah D. Schenfield, married in Colorado in 1902 on child, cruelty; Alice M. Webb vs. James W. Webb, married in Oregon City in 1899, cruelty.

\$1500 Damages Sought

Ernest Glarner has brought suit against W. H. Holmes for \$1500 for injuries alleged to have been received in a motorcycle and automobile collision at Vancouver avenue and Alberta street.

James Level Case

Is Argued Today

Salem, Or., July 27.—Arguments were made before the supreme court Thursday in habeas corpus proceedings brought to secure the discharge of James M. Level from the Multnomah county jail, where he is imprisoned because of debt. William Lord appeared for Level and Arthur Murphy of the Multnomah county district attorney's office for the state. Level has been in jail 52 days.

Bootlegger Escapes Jail

Following a raid by the police last night, George Conaty, proprietor of a soft drink establishment at 74 North Third street, pleaded guilty to a charge of violating the prohibition law before Municipal Judge Langruth this morning, and was fined \$100 and sentenced to six months in jail. The jail penalty was suspended.

Want Lansing for Governor

Watertown, N. Y., July 27.—(I. N. S.)—Secretary of State Robert Lansing is being pushed by northern New York Democrats for governor. Petitions are being circulated urging him to permit his name to be submitted at the September primaries.

SUPREME KEEPER OF THE PYTHIAN KNIGHTS REACHES PORTLAND

First of Members Headed
This Way, Here to Attend
Convention.

MERCHANTS DECORATING

Prominent Knights and Sisters Will
Be Here From All Parts of the
United States.

With the arrival today of Fred Wheaton, supreme keeper of records and seals of the Knights of Pythias, Portland began to take on a proper official atmosphere of fraternal welcome. Mr. Wheaton is only the first of the thousands of Pythians who will be here for the supreme lodge convention beginning next Tuesday, and others of the officers will arrive from now on until Monday night.

Merchants have gotten fairly well started on decorating their places of business in the Pythian colors, with pennants and emblems. Walter Gleason, grand keeper of records and seals, will start tomorrow with the street decorations by arrangement with the Rose Festival association, the flags used in June will again deck the streets from Broadway to Fifth and from Pine street to Yamhill.

Instead of the clusters of cupids and birds that hung from the arcs during Festival week, Pythian emblems will swing.

Sisters to Meet

It is hoped by the arrangement's committee that the whole business district of the city will be fairly ablaze with the Pythian tri-color.

The state convention of the Pythian Sisters will be held in advance of the supreme convention, starting tomorrow at the castle hall of Ivanhoe lodge. The morning session will be devoted to the conferring of grand initiation degrees and the report of the altruistic committee. Opening ceremonies and reports will occupy the afternoon session and the evening meeting will consist of conferring of initiatory degrees and staff work. Election of officers will take place Saturday morning.

Special Trains Coming

Special trains will bring in Knights and Sisters from all over the country for the supreme conventions of next week. The official train, coming in two sections, will arrive over the O-W. R. & N. from Seattle Sunday night, the first getting in at 7:15 p. m. This will be accompanied by Gus C. Moser and Frank S. Grant of the Portland reception committee, who will meet the train at Seattle. On this will be assembled practically all the supreme officers and many of the principal representatives.

The Southern Pacific will run a special train from Marshfield, bringing the Coos bay contingent. This train will arrive Monday at 5:30 p. m., leaving Portland at 8 a. m., and picking up the Knights from Marshfield, North Bend, Coquille, Myrtle Point, Bandon, Gardiner and Reedsport. About 125 are expected.

Other Delegations Wanted

The O-W. R. & N. will bring in a delegation from Elgin, Or., Tuesday morning. The K. P. band will head this party, a special car being employed. The delegation from Missouri, Kansas, Texas and other states in the southeast will come in a special sleeper, arriving at 12:15 p. m. Sunday. The central Oregon delegation will arrive Monday at 5:30 p. m.

Other trains will bring the rank and file of Pythians, between 8000 and 10,000 in all, between now and Monday night.

Business Men Are

Guests of Railroad

President of Columbia & Nehalem

Takes Men to Timber Belt; Lunch Served in Logging Camp.

Forty-two tired business men found relaxation and interest yesterday when, as guests of A. S. Kerry, president of the Columbia & Nehalem river railroad, they were escorted over the newly-constructed line leading from the Columbia river into the heart of the timber along the headwaters of the Nehalem.

In the party were L. C. Gilman, president of the North Bank road; W. D. Skinner, traffic manager, and a number of Portland and Seattle lumbermen and bankers. The trip was purely educational, as Mr. Kerry had long wanted his friends to see just how extensive the logging operations out of that newly-opened country are getting to be.

Lunch was served at one of the five logging camps visited. The lunch was exactly what the lumber jacks have to eat every day, and the visitors ate with them. One guest of Mr. Kerry's said the lemon pie and raspberry shortcake served out there in the woods were the finest pastry dainties he had ever consumed.

Contests were held at all the camps, including races for the quickest loading of cars with logs. The Kerry gang won, loading a car in a little over four minutes.

The party went out in special coaches over the North Bank road, returning late last night. Mr. Kerry announced that 600,000 feet of logs per day are now being hauled, with more in prospect, as a branch line being constructed across the Nehalem of a long trestle opens up the holdings of another logging company.

Mark Woodruff Returns

Mark Woodruff, secretary of the publicity and conventions bureau of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, returned today from Yellowstone park, where he went as representative of Portland to the good roads conference which resulted in the organization of the National Park-to-park Highway association.

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Safe at Milton Is Object of Attack

Work of Persons Who Knew Knob Off
the Strong Box in Lumber Office
Apparently, That of Amateurs.

Portland, Or., July 27.—The knob was blown off the safe of Williams & Olinger Lumber company at Milton in an attempt at robbery. It is not known whether entrance to the safe was gained or not, as the safe was found locked in the morning. About \$50 was in the safe. Sheriff T. D. Taylor and Deputy Estes are at work on the case and bloodhounds have been taken to the scene from the Washington state penitentiary at Walla Walla. It is thought the work was that of amateurs.

JAPANESE MONEY ORDER EXCHANGE IS PLACED AT SEATTLE

Oregon Business to Go by
Way of Sound Instead of
San Francisco.

Efforts in behalf of quicker service inaugurated last fall by Postmaster Frank S. Myers have resulted in the change of the exchange office for Japanese money orders for Oregon business from San Francisco to Seattle, effective August 1.

The postmaster estimates that a quarter of a million dollars a year is sent from the Portland office to Japan by money order. Less time is required in transportation between Portland and Seattle, hence the change promotes efficiency and expedition. This makes Seattle the exchange office for Japanese money orders of Seattle, Alaska, Washington, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota and Minnesota, and Oregon after August 1; San Francisco is the exchange office for the rest of the country.

"Portland would be the exchange office for Japanese money orders if we had the ship service, in fact Portland formerly was the exchange office," said the postmaster.

Rhodes Scholar of

Portland Returns

S. Bernard Noble Spent Three Years at
Oxford; English Students Now at
University Are the Physically Uplift.

After three years at Oxford university, S. Bernard Noble, Portland Rhodes scholar and a former student at the University of Washington, has returned home, having completed his studies.

Whereas in normal times Oxford has about 4000 students, today there are barely 400 in attendance, according to Mr. Noble.

"Every physically fit man in the university, save those pursuing the study of medicine, has enlisted," he said this morning. "The medical students are left to finish their studies that they may be available for surgical work."

"At the present time there are about 80 Americans, an equal number of Hindus and a few foreigners at Oxford. The remainder of the 400 are English who are physically unfit for service."

"Oxford is the seat of an officers' training school in peace times and many of the Oxford men attend. When war broke they were immediately given commissions."

"Many of the faculty are at the front. The dean of my own college, Worcester, is a captain in the Black Watch and many others of the professors hold commissions. Worcester ordinarily has about 100 students; today there are 13. Christ Church college usually numbers 300; today there are not more than 15."

"Despite the fact that Oxford is depleted of students it is filled with men. The buildings are being used to billet soldiers back from the front who are in training for commissions."

Mr. Noble himself was an orderly at a large hospital with an American staff in Paris last summer.

The Wonderful

Triangle
Kiddies

Are Co-Stars
in this
Splendid
Photoplay

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JUDGE GANTENBEIN IS FIRST TO ENLIST FOR TRAINING CAMP WORK

Recruiting for Citizens' Out-
ing-Bivouac at American
Lake Is Started.

Enlistments for the citizens' military training camp at American Lake were fairly under way today in the recruiting office opened at 347 Washington street. Colonel Parks and Captain Harris of the regular army are in charge with two corporals from Van-

couver barracks to explain the aspects of this outing-bivouac for the hardening of flabby muscles and the education of non-military minds into channels of arms.

Judge C. U. Gantenbein was the first citizen to enlist yesterday when the location of the office becomes known, the officers in charge and the citizens' executive committee believe many business men will flock to the standard. The training camp at American Lake will be conducted for a month, starting August 16. A bill that has passed the house and is now pending before the United States senate makes it possible for the business man to participate in it without cost, save for a few incidentals, but in case the bill does not pass and the participants will have to pay their own expenses, it is estimated that the cost will not be much over \$50 for the full month.

General C. F. Beebe of the local executive committee was interestedly looking after outside matters connected with the enlistment this morning and the other members of the committee plan frequent visits to the recruiting office.

Here will be displayed the regulation army rolls, uniforms, arms and ammunition which the business men will use at the camp and competent officers will give out all necessary information.

Community Sing,

Picnic Are Arranged

Sellwood park will be the scene of a pleasant picnic Saturday afternoon, followed by a community sing in the evening, led by Professor W. H. Boyer. The ceremonies will begin at 1:30 o'clock with a parade, which will proceed on Harney street to Thirteenth, thence to Malden and then to the Sellwood park.

The parade will consist of the following divisions: Babies, industrial floats, decorated doll carriages, patriotic section, impersonations, and a troop of Boy Scouts.

Superintendent of City Parks J. O. Conwill will deliver the principal address of the festival.

Folk dances, minuet, mazurka and

others will be danced by a group of small girls. This will be followed by boys' drills and a kite flying contest.

Preparations for this event have

been given considerable attention, and the success will be largely due to Mrs. Travis and Mr. Patton, Sellwood playground instructors, although the entertainment will be held under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association.

German Crops Reported Spoiling.

London, July 27.—(I. N. S.)—An Exchange Telegram dispatch from The Hague says: "The price of horses in Germany has doubled. Farmers are making fortunes selling rabbits at 25 marks each. The bad weather is spoiling the crops."

HEAT EXHAUSTION

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Revives, refreshes, strengthens. Relieves depression, restores the nerve force. Buy a bottle.

The Theatre Beautiful—Sixth at Washington

Starts Today

A bill that clearly indicates
the superiority of Columbia Service—
An original drama—Clever Comedy
and up to the minute educational films

DOROTHY
GISH
in
The
Little
Schoolma'am

A story intensely human
and sympathetic—Presented
in a manner typical of the
best Griffith productions

Extra Special—
Showing means and methods employed
by New York Scientists in fighting

Infantile
Paralysis

Comedy
Nature Incorporated
a Fast and Fur-
ious One

MAKING PAPER PARASOLS—Educational and Interesting

Coming Sunday--An Irresistible Bill

Wm. S. HART In the Big Dra-
matic Spectacle "The Captive God"

Fatty Arbuckle in his latest hit "The Waiters' Ball"