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WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight and Wednesday fair and warmer.

UMATILLA THE INCOMPARABLE

In Truth and in Fact Her Growing Season is Longer Than That of Los Angeles.

RESUME OF IRRIGATION PROJECTS NOW IN VIEW.

The Soils of the Arid District of Umatilla County is Equal in Quality and Very Similar in Elements to Those of Some of the Most Productive Regions of the Northwest—Division of Opinion as to Most Advisable System of Reclamation, But a Choice Will Be Made and Water Furnished.

During last week Thomas H. Means, chief of the soil division of the United States reclamation service, made an investigation of the arid lands lying southwest of Pendleton, in Umatilla and Morrow counties, and this morning the following statement concerning the reclamation work in this section was secured from the local office:

Eastern Oregon offers facilities for irrigation surpassed by few parts of the arid West. Lack of railroads through the central part of the state has prevented the settlement of the country, and there are today great rivers running to waste and large areas of the most fertile land lying idle or at the best producing but scanty crops of forage. Upon the passage of the reclamation law in June, 1902, the general government commenced work upon the development of arid America. Oregon has contributed largely to the funds for this work, and, in return, naturally expects to receive at an early date the benefits of this law.

Mr. John T. Whistler, the resident engineer, whose office is at Pendleton, has been for the past two years investigating various projects in the arid part of the state. One of the most important projects so far considered is the one to irrigate a large tract of land lying along the Columbia river east of the Umatilla river. This tract is productive of little at the present time. The plans for its irrigation, so far as they have been developed, provide for the watering of over 200,000 acres. One scheme proposes to divert waters of the Umatilla river a few miles above Echo, carry the water across Butter Creek and irrigate 60,000 to 100,000 acres of bench land. The second scheme contemplates the diversion of the John Day river, carrying this water to the same tract of land and irrigating an area of 200,000 acres or more.

Character of Soils. One very important investigation which must be carried on before this project can be approved is the character of soils and the agricultural possibilities of the district. Mr. Thomas H. Means, engineer of soils in the reclamation service, has recently returned from these lands along the Columbia, where he has spent a short time investigating the soils. While the investigations will not be completed until the samples of soil collected in the field have been subjected to laboratory examination, some facts of general interest have been brought out. Mr. Means says: "The soils of the project are of the same general character as those found over large areas of land in the basin drained by the Columbia river. Similar soils are found in the Yakima valley, of Washington, around Walla Walla and in many other places in the Northwest where irrigation has been practiced for a sufficient time to show the tremendous possibilities of this region. The most prominent soil is a light sandy loam eminently adapted to the growing of fruit, alfalfa, and the class of crops known as truck crops. Sweet potatoes, peanuts, beans, melons, strawberries, asparagus and potatoes can probably be produced here, with an adequate water supply, with as much ease and profit as in any place in America. Other crops, such as alfalfa, hops and grain, can be grown in the heavier grades of land, and thereby make a well balanced agricultural district whose pro-

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Italian Woman Sentenced. Hackensack, N. J., April 4.—Mrs. Anna Valentini, convicted of the murder of Rosie Salza, whom she alleged supplanted her in the affections of her husband, was sentenced today to be executed May 12. There is "bad blood" in the Italian colony as the result of the tragedy, trial and conviction and a vendetta is probable.

PORTLAND REVIVAL GROWS.

Thirty Meetings a Day Being Attended by Fully 15,000 People. Portland, April 4.—The great revival meetings are growing in extent and force and tomorrow from 11:30 to 2 o'clock all the principal business houses of the city will remain closed, to allow employes to attend noon meetings.

It is expected that 30,000 people will attend the 30 meetings to be held in 30 different places in the city tomorrow noon. The average daily attendance at the meetings is about 15,000, there being on an average of 50 meetings each week day except Saturday, on which day the entire evangelistic force rests.

It is impossible to compute the number of conversions since the revival began. Some of the leading ministers of the city estimate that 2500 have confessed religion. Others place the number at even a higher figure.

Those confessing religion are not required to join a stated church at the time but may ally themselves with any church organization they may choose after the meetings are over.

MITCHELL WILL BE TRIED.

Senator Will Be Accommodated in His Demands for an Early Trial. Portland, April 4.—Senator Mitchell will be accommodated in his demands for an early trial, his case to be the first of the land fraud cases to be heard in the coming session of the federal court, in June.

Francis J. Heney has decided to call the case of Senator Mitchell first, as the senator has demanded an early hearing. Heney is making ready for the trial as rapidly as possible and although giving nearly all his time to the grand jury, is said to have his case against Mitchell well under way. Williamson, Hermann and others indicted will also be tried at the June term. Mr. Heney will not request a new grand jury, feeling that he can expedite work by convicting some of those now indicted rather than indicting more.

Murderer Attempts Suicide.

Portland, April 4.—John T. Coleman, the Spokane gambler who murdered Edna Hoffman in this city last Saturday night, by cutting her throat from ear to ear in a Stark street room, when captured at Chehalis, last evening, attempted suicide by cutting his own throat with a razor which he had concealed in a shoe.

SHALL THE CITY OWN THE WATER?

SAN DIEGO CONFRONTED WITH THE COMMON ISSUE.

A Hot Campaign With the Republicans Championing the Water Monopoly—An Independent, Non-Partisan Candidate Indorsed by the Democrats Represents the Principle of Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities.

San Diego, April 4.—An extraordinary big vote was cast during the early hours of the municipal election today, following the hottest campaign in years. Dan Jones, candidate on the straight republican ticket, is opposed by Captain John L. Sehon, of the United States army, retired, nominated by a petition of non-partisans and indorsed by the democrats. The issue is municipal ownership of the water supply, with indications that Sehon will win.

GOV. BRADY NOW UNDER FIRE.

Accused of Being Interested in Questionable Company.

Washington, April 4.—Owing to complaints that Governor Brady, of Alaska, is identified with a mining company which has become extensively entangled, advertising its affairs, Secretary Hitchcock, under direction of the president, has made a conditional request for Brady's resignation.

ELECTED ANTI-TRUST MAYOR.

Standard Oil and Compeers Thrashed at Butte.

Butte, Mont., April 4.—A count on the city election this morning shows that John MacGinnis, manager of the Helzke mines and smelters, is elected mayor of Butte on an anti-trust ticket. MacGinnis was opposed by the Standard Oil and Amalgamated Copper company interests.

Snowstorm Raging.

Denver, April 4.—A snowstorm is raging in the Rockies. In some places the snow is five feet deep on the railroads. Trains are delayed and other traffic interrupted.

Amon & Son, bankers of Kennewick, Wash., have laid out a town at the mouth of the Yakima river, on the Rosecrance ranch. The firm is backing a large private irrigation scheme.

CHICAGO IS POLLING A BIG VOTE.

Chicago, April 4.—One of the hardest fought mayoralty battles in the history of Chicago is in progress today. The municipal ownership advocates confidently predict the election of Judge Dunne, the democratic candidate, while the republicans claim Harlan will win by a small majority. A record-breaking vote is being polled, the clear, cold weather furnishing ideal conditions to bring out the vote.

ROOSEVELT IS IN LOUISVILLE

Greeted by a Great Concurrence of People, and Thousands Line the Streets.

GREETED EARLY BY GOV. BECKHAM, OF KENTUCKY.

At Every Station From the Early Dawn, the People Had Gathered in Crowds—In Louisville the Ex-Confederate Soldiers Lined Up Beside the Ex-Union Soldiers to Salute the President, While Next Came the School Children and the Spanish War Veterans—Is Presented With Very Novel Gifts.

Louisville, Ky., April 4.—President Roosevelt arrived on schedule time, at 9 o'clock, and was greeted by Governor Beckham, Acting Mayor Bareth, and Chairman Murray of the reception committee. The parade started from Third and A streets at 9:05, the president enjoying every moment of the trip. All the way through Ohio, as early as 4:30 this morning the people were up in crowds to see the president's train. At every station where a stop was made the president alighted and shook hands. On entering Louisville a president's salute was fired by the local militia company. The crowds here are immense.

Louisville, April 4.—The president was cheered at frequent intervals by a continuous line of people. At Third and Broadway Confederate veterans and members of the G. A. R. were assembled. The president stood in his carriage as they passed. "There are the boys for me," he shouted, as the Spanish veterans came next. "These are my comrades," said the president. At Fourth and Broadway 1500 school children sang "My Old Kentucky Home." The president saluted them and 20,000 people pressed around the reviewing stand to hear the president's speech. Governor Beckham delivered a brief welcome and the president responded with a happy address.

The parade then proceeded to the Louisville hotel, where the president was presented with a flask filled with water from a spring and an inkstand made from a tree on Lincoln's birthplace, and a silver case.

John Sauer Fell Dead.

John Sauer, a prominent merchant from Jeffersonville, Ind., while hurrying to see the president's parade, slipped and fell, breaking his neck, and dying instantly.

Gene South.

The presidential train left Louisville at 11 o'clock.

Trains first passed through the Simpson tunnel (13 miles long, and between Switzerland and Italy) on April 2.

URGE COLLECTION OF PORTAGE FUND

J. A. Smith and W. J. Mariner, president and secretary respectively of the Open River association, are here today for the purpose of consulting with local people in regard to the \$40,000 that was guaranteed by the association for the portage road and of which \$5000 was pledged by Umatilla county.

According to the two gentlemen the work on the portage will be completed by May 15, and at that time payment will have to be made by the Open River association of so much of the amount as may be needed. In order to have the matter in a satisfactory shape so that the payment may be made promptly, the officers of the association have requested the committeemen in the different counties to collect and have available the respective amounts. Leon Cohen is the committeeman for Umatilla county.

The amount asked from Umatilla county is but \$5000, or one per cent of the total amount of freight money paid out by Umatilla county shippers, the total amount of freight bills paid by this county being conservatively estimated at \$500,000. There is no doubt but that with a boat line operating on the river, several times this amount would be saved.

LINEVITCH IN CRITICAL FIX

Russian General Staff Fears the Japanese Will Reach Harbin Within a Month.

RUMORED CUTTING OF THE VLADIVOSTOK RAILROAD.

Russian Internal Troubles Assuming an Acute Phase, Rioting Being in Progress in Warsaw and in the Trans-Caucasus Provinces, and the Baltic Provinces Threaten—Police Inspector at Warsaw Wounded by Revolutionist—Ineffectual Attempt to Assassinate a Prefect—Humiliating Admission by Authorities.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—General Linevitch's position has altered for the worse. The general staff fears the Japanese will be in Harbin within a month. It is rumored the railway has been cut near Tschihar.

Russian Internal Troubles.

London, April 4.—The Exchange Telegraph states that further internal trouble is feared in Russia. The news from the interior is of the gravest character. Serious rioting occurred in Warsaw yesterday in which many were injured. The authorities are unable to preserve order and rioting continues.

Reports from Tiflis and the Trans-Caucasus state there was further rioting there yesterday. The Baltic provinces are also reported to be agitated and an outbreak threatened.

Three Ineffectual Shots.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—An attempt was made last night to assassinate M. Misgale, assistant prefect of police. Three shots were fired at his carriage, but the horses took fright at the first shot and bolted, probably saving the officer's life. The assailants escaped.

Assassin Escapes.

Vienna, April 4.—The Tageblatt says it is learned from private sources that Seasonoff, the assassin of M. Plehve, has escaped from prison in the fortress of Peter and Paul.

Terrorism at Warsaw.

Warsaw, April 4.—Two shots were fired today by a group of men at Police Inspector Wanovsky as he walked the street. The inspector was wounded twice, but the injuries are not dangerous. The would-be assassins escaped.

Russian Forces Fully Equal.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—In a statement issued today War Minister Sakaroff declared the men and material of the Russian army at the battle of Mukden were equal to those of the Japanese, forcing the reluctant con-

clusion that the Japanese generalship was superior to that of the Russians. Sakaroff denied he had ever intrigued against Kuropatkin, affirming he gave the latter the most loyal support. He declared the reports of Russian authorities countermarching the orders for war material abroad as baseless, and insists there has been no relaxation in preparations to continue the war.

German Prince Visits the Czar.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia arrived at Tsarkoe Selo this morning. The prince will remain for some time, but the prince will return to Berlin in a few days. An attempt to give the visit of Prince Henry a political character are scouted at the German embassy.

Report Was Unfounded.

Harbin, April 4.—The report that the explosion of a bomb destroyed an artillery depot, causing the loss of 75 lives, was entirely unfounded.

Attempt Failed.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—The reported attempt on the life of Governor General Trepoft failed last night.

WILL TRY TO OUST ALEXANDER.

Hyde Faction Will Force a Finish Fight Soon.

New York, April 4.—A new feature of the Equitable Assurance Society fight was developed this afternoon, when the friends of James H. Hyde announced their intention to depose President Alexander at the meeting of the board of directors next Thursday.

GOVERNOR VETOED BOND BILL.

Twine Trust Robbery of Nebraska Will Continue.

Lincoln, April 4.—Governor Mickey today vetoed the bond issue bill for \$200,000 voted by the late legislature to build a state binding twine plant. He gave the reason that economy is made necessary by the \$2,000,000 existing state debt.

A WAGE SCALE FOR NEXT YEAR.

Agreement Averts Strike of 50,000 Coal Miners.

Altoona, Pa., April 4.—The committee of the bituminous coal operators, and the miners scale committee this morning signed the old scale for another year, averting a strike of 50,000 miners.

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY

LOCAL ORDER I. O. O. F. WILL OBSERVE IT.

Literary and Musical Program Will Be Followed by a Banquet at the Affair of April 26—Principal Address by Rev. T. R. Egerton—Committees Have Been Appointed by the Local Lodges and the Auxiliary Orders.

The eighty-sixth anniversary of the I. O. O. F. will be celebrated with due ceremony by the local lodges of that order on the 26th of this month. Arrangements are now under way for a literary and musical program for the evening of the anniversary day, and which will be followed by a banquet.

There are two subordinate lodges here, besides an encampment and a Rebekah lodge, thus making four organizations in all to participate in the entertainment. The affair will be for the members of the different lodges and their families and will be in the nature of a social and literary entertainment, no initiatory work being done. The principal address of the occasion will be delivered by Rev. T. R. Egerton, pastor of the Congregational church. Aside from this address the program has not yet been fully arranged, but will consist of various musical and literary selections by members of the various lodges.

The following committees from the four organizations are now at work arranging for the anniversary and sub-committees have been appointed to look after the different features: From the Encampment—J. H. Lawrence, J. E. Beam and William Folsom. From Eureka Lodge—John Halley, Jr., M. J. Carney and J. P. Medernach. From Integrity Lodge—Phil McBride, G. Brown and A. M. Erb. From the Rebekah Lodge—Mrs. W. H. McCormick, Mrs. M. J. Carney, Mrs. Thomas Gurdane and Mrs. Jos. Hoch.

The first part of the evening, during which the program will be rendered will be passed in the I. O. O. F. hall and the banquet will be served in the Armory.

J. S. McDuffie was arrested near El Paso, Texas, while in the act of crossing the border into Mexico. He is accused of taking over \$35,000 from the Bank of Lawton, at Lawton, Ok.

DATES FOR WOOL SALES ARE SET

Buyers and Growers to Meet Upon Ten Separate Dates and at Three Points.

SCHEDULE ARRANGED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Gwinn Reiterates the Unmistakable Advantages of the Sales Day System to the Producers: It Has Developed a Better Market in Oregon as It Has in Other Wool Growing Districts—Prospect That the First Sales Day Will Break the Record Both in Amount of Product Disposed of and Prices Realized.

The following wool sales dates have been arranged for the Eastern Oregon wool markets by the Oregon Woolgrowers' association, and were announced this morning by Secretary Gwinn:

Pendleton—May 22, June 13, and June 26. Heppner—May 25, June 9, June 20, and June 29. Shaniko—June 6, June 23, and July 6.

On the sales days this year the same plan will be followed that has been in vogue during the past three seasons. Under it sealed bids are made by the buyers on the different lots of wool, and each clip is sold to the firm making the highest bid. In speaking of the benefits of this plan, J. H. Gwinn stated this morning that he believed that from a cent to a cent and a half more was realized by the growers when bids were received.

It is said by local wool men that the first sales day of this season, (which will be here on May 22) will be a record breaker, both as regards to the prices paid and the amount of wool sold. Conditions all indicate that there will be an unusually large clip this year, and prices are equally as favorable.

According to Secretary Gwinn four cents more will be easily gotten this year than was paid for the same grade and character of wool last year. This estimate he bases partly on the trend that the market has taken at other places. At Shallow, Ariz., an average of 18 1-2 cents has been received this year for the same kind of wool that brought only from 13 1-2 to 14 1-2 cents last year, thus showing an advance of from four to five cents at that place.

According to reports very little wool has been contracted for in advance this year, and as a result practically the entire clip will be placed on sale on the dates given above. The buyers are now in Southern California, Arizona and New Mexico, and will be here in force during May and June. The dates were arranged to suit the mutual convenience of the buyers and woolgrowers.

Extradition Papers Found.

Cincinnati, April 4.—J. Morgan Smith and wife, were taken from the county jail today to plead to the charge of being fugitives from justice. Attorney Shay, for the defendants, secured a continuance until Friday; and the couple were returned to jail. The missing extradition papers have been found. They were in the hands of an expressman.

Died From Inhaling Gas.

Zelgler, Ill., April 4.—William Atkinson, state mine inspector, and Manager John Graham, died this morning from gas inhaled yesterday, while leading rescuing parties into the Letter mine. The work of removing the bodies was continued today.

Conger Leaves Pekin.

Pekin, April 4.—Minister Conger, appointed ambassador to Mexico, left for the United States today via Hankow. Representatives of all foreign nations assembled at the station to bid him farewell.

Tanning Plant Burned.

Elkins, W. Va., April 4.—Fire in the plant of the Elkins Tanning company last night caused a loss of \$200,000.

Two Killed in Collision.

Wellsville, O., April 4.—In a collision early this morning between an extra freight engine and a flyer on the Pennsylvania at Castonia, Engineer Edward Fuller and Fireman H. Emig, of the passenger train were killed and several others slightly injured. The accident was caused by a switch being left open by a drunken tender who is missing.