



ELECTRIC LINE. IS PROJECTED

Preliminary Survey of Line From Pendleton to Irrigon Made by Dr. Coe.

IRRIGATION BELT WILL BE PENETRATED.

Entire West End of the County Will Be Given Excellent Transportation Facilities—Lands Under All the Irrigation Projects Are Selling Rapidly and Immense Settlement Is Anticipated—Dr. Coe Well Pleased

With Prospects in Umatilla County. That a preliminary survey has been made and other steps taken towards the construction of an electric line from Pendleton to Irrigon was announced here last evening by Dr. H. W. Coe, who came up from Portland with a party on the evening train.

According to Dr. Coe, definite plans for the electric road have not been worked out yet, but the thing is being investigated in earnest and the prospect of a trolley line through the irrigated section is more than a dream.

That the irrigated section in the west end, composed of the lands under the East Umatilla project, the Furnish-Coe project and other private ditches, is on the edge of a great development is firmly believed by Dr. Coe. Up to this time the land under the Furnish ditch has been selling at a rate much faster than was anticipated and he says the project will be sold out within 12 months.

The settlement of the irrigated sections, he says, will make an electric line not only profitable, but almost imperative. The entire section between Echo and Irrigon will be densely settled and an electric line will be necessary to carry the products to market.

It is the belief of Dr. Coe that Pendleton is to remain as the hub of Umatilla county and that the development of the west end will strengthen the business prestige of this city. He says that the electric line as now proposed will start from this place and extend through the irrigated section of Irrigon by way of Umatilla, touching at Echo, Foster and Hermiston en route.

With Dr. Coe last evening was Dr. D. H. Rand, a Portland capitalist and who formerly practiced medicine at Heppner, and R. R. Wood, Dr. Coe's secretary at Echo. They spent the evening here in consultation with W. J. Furnish and D. B. Costuma, local representative of the land company, and left on the 8 o'clock train this morning for Echo.

BONES SENT TO CHINA.

Chinese Ship Remains to the Land of Their Birth.

San Francisco, April 15.—Vessels leaving San Francisco for Chinese ports during the next month or two will carry back to the land of the dragon many shipments of the bones of departed Chinamen.

The annual spring excavation of the graves of dead Celestials is now on in all Pacific coast towns having a large oriental population and the corpse agencies who handle this business are very busy.

According to the religious notions of the Chinese, the souls of the departed will not be allowed to enter Paradise until the bodies are buried in the fatherland, and this belief has given rise to a profitable business for the trans-Pacific steamship companies.

The bones of the dead are wired together, labeled and placed in caskets prior to shipment to relatives or friends in China. The corpse agencies are required to guarantee that not a bone will be missing, as only a complete skeleton is allowed to enter the heaven of the Chinese.

Fish for Union County.

Approximately 100,000 fish will be received in Union county within 30 days to be used as stocking material for the many mountain streams. Members of the Eastern Oregon Fish and Game association have received notice that the shipment will be forthcoming in a few days, and that the parties to whom the cans are assigned must be in readiness to plant the fry immediately upon arrival.

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PIRETON STOCK SOLD.

W. H. Bean Bought Teutsch Stock for \$3000 and Will Continue the Business.

At Preston, Idaho, the Teutsch mercantile stock was disposed of at auction and it was purchased by W. H. Bean, brother of Charles Bean, for the price of \$3000. It was bid in by Charles Bean for his brother and the store will be conducted in the future by Charles Bean.

The Teutsch Preston stock was invoiced at \$9229.53 and hence sold for less than one-third the invoice value. But in spite of that fact T. C. Taylor considers the sale a good one from the creditors' standpoint, as the conditions in the Idaho town are not good at this time.

Mr. Taylor returned from Preston on train No. 1 today. Lee Teutsch, who was in attendance at the sale yesterday, is still in Preston.

Now that both the Pendleton and Preston stocks have been disposed of the money received therefrom will be divided among the creditors of Mr. Teutsch. However, the final dividends will not be paid for some time yet, as time must be given to tardy creditors in which to present their claims. One new claim for \$100 has just been received.

DEMOCRATS WILL MEET.

Delegates to State Convention Will Be Selected Next Tuesday.

Will Moore, chairman of the democratic central committee, has called a meeting of that body to be held here next Tuesday for the purpose of providing for the selection of delegates to the democratic state convention to be held in Portland June 9.

In the direct primary law no provision is made for the selection of delegates to the national conventions of the different political parties. Consequently both the republican and democratic parties will hold state conventions this year for the purpose of choosing their national delegates. Oregon is entitled to eight delegates in the national convention.

Umatilla county is entitled to eight delegates in the coming state convention and at the meeting of the central committee to be held Tuesday it will be decided how to select these men.

JOHN JOHNSON ENTERS THE RACE

FLINGS DOWN GAUNTLET TO W. J. BRYAN.

Statement by Bryan's Manager That Johnson Is an Interloper Arouses the Ire of the Minnesota Governor and He Will Now Engage Actively in the Fight for the Presidential Nomination.

Chicago, April 15.—"I don't think that my candidacy is impertinent; it is not in my seeking, but now that I am in, I am going to make a determined and dignified fight."

Stirred by literature sent out by Willis J. Abbott, Bryan's representative at Washington, which intimated that Governor Johnson was an interloper and that his candidacy was impertinent, Johnson today removed his candidacy from the passive stage and declared himself in the above terms.

"I did not become a candidate until friends and democrats all over the country insisted and even now I think that they could have chosen more wisely, but now that I am in the matter I am not going to run away. My presence in the field is hardly impertinent, as I see it."

BRYAN NOT INDORSED BY NEW YORK COMMITTEE

New York, April 15.—Following the failure of the resolutions committee of the state democratic convention in session here, to indorse the candidacy of Bryan, the followers of Bryan practically withdrew from the fight before the convention to get an endorsement.

In a statement issued by the Bryan men they state that in view of the lack of harmony in the convention they are unwilling to introduce another question which might cause further differences of opinion.

The impression is general here that Bryan sent a message calling off his adherents in return for a promise that the unit rule would not be enforced against the New York delegation in the Denver convention.

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ROOSEVELT TO BE CHANCELLOR OF NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Portland, April 15.—President Roosevelt as the chancellor of a great national university endowed by Andrew Carnegie for \$25,000,000, is the future predicted for him by the correspondent of the Evening Journal in Washington.

In a special dispatch today he declares that the information has been given out by one whose position is such as to give it great weight. It is said that Secretary Root prevailed upon Carnegie to make the endowment.

The plan is that the president will travel a year abroad and then return and organize the university.

BREAKING DAM SPREADS HAVOC

Hauser Lake, Montana, Turned Loose Upon Unsuspecting Inhabitants.

WALL OF WATER 70 FEET HIGH RUSHES DOWN.

Estimated Losses of Cattle, Sheep and Other Property Is \$500,000—Residents of Craig, 400 in Number, Are Driven From Their Homes to the Hills—Portions of Great Falls Inundated and Much Property Will Be Destroyed.

Helena, April 15.—Dispatches received from Cascade early this morning say that a flood occasioned by the breaking of a dam at Hauser lake yesterday is doing great damage, sweeping everything before it and driving the people in panic to the hills. The surface is dotted with hay stacks, livestock and every other thing that could be moved by the rushing waters.

One report just received here is that the big steel bridge at that point is doomed to destruction and that nothing short of an act of providence can save the lower sections of Great Falls, which are being engulfed.

Similar conditions prevail along the river towns of northern Montana. Reports from Craig, in Lewis and Clark county, 46 miles north of Helena, say that the town is under 20 feet of water and the inhabitants numbering 400, fled to the hills, where they remained all night.

Estimates place the loss at Hauser lake at \$500,000. The loss of cattle and sheep will be very heavy. It was learned this morning that the power house at the dam escaped destruction.

Water tore away a portion of the dam 300 feet long, releasing a wall of water 70 feet high and draining a lake covering 22 square miles.

Wall of Water Descends.

Butte, April 15.—With a wall of water rushing on toward Great Falls, apparently the only thing that can save the city is the blowing up of the Great Falls dam. This is being considered by the engineers this afternoon.

The crest of the flood will reach here at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Water at Craig, 60 miles north of here is now 23 feet above the normal and it is thought that the town of Cascade and other mining towns are under water.

All communication is cut off between Helena and Great Falls. A man was drowned at Great Falls today while taking sounding above the dam.

APPLE LAND SELLS WELL.

Josephine County Orchard Brings Enormous Price.

Grant's Pass, Ore., April 15.—That Josephine county orchard lands are increasing rapidly in value was proved yesterday when final papers of exchange were signed deeding the fine fruit farm on Applegate river formerly owned by Consul General H. B. Miller, to H. S. Buck, a California fruitgrower, for \$26,000. Just 30 days ago this same place sold for \$21,000 cash. It increased \$5000 in value in one month. The new owner will greatly improve the place, and is preparing to make it one of the finest fruit farms in the state. It is irrigated by a canal from the Applegate river.

The apples from this place have been shipped for a number of seasons to the orient, a splendid market having been found for them by Consul General Miller, who is now stationed at Yokohama, but who was formerly in China.

Assistant Principal for Athena.

C. W. Laughridge, a late graduate of the Weston Normal school, has just been engaged as assistant principal of the Athena schools. He will take the place of J. H. E. Scott, who is to take up school work for the government in the Philippines.

SAN DIEGANS ARE ALL NAVY MAD

Thousands Throng Beaches Long Before Dawn to See Marines Land.

SIX THOUSAND SAILORS CAN FIND NO BEDS.

Throughout the Entire Night the Streets, Cafes and Parks Were Thronged—Inspiring Scenes Witnessed as the Parade, Marines, National Guard and Veterans Started—Accommodations Not to Be Had for Sailors on Shore.

San Diego, April 15.—San Diego is navy mad. Not since the days of the Spanish war has there been such a tremendous outburst of patriotic enthusiasm. Until "good night" was flashed from the ships thousands of men and women crowded the shores of Coronado and stratched their eyes looking at the brilliantly lighted vessels that heaved and tossed in the offing.

Throughout the night in the cafes and on the streets men gathered together to talk of wars and ships and fighting men. Before the gray haze of morning had been dissipated by the flood of golden sunlight the streets were thronged with surging crowds all headed toward Coronado to witness the landing of the blue jackets and marines for the great parade.

Under the command of Captain Schroeder of the battleship Virginia, the brigade with a full regiment of marines landed at Spreckles' wharf at noon.

As the boats, towed by three tugs, landed loads of the men, their blue uniforms lending a brilliant dash of color to the scene, the watching crowds cheered wildly.

At 2:30 p. m. the procession began to move. Again the crowds cheered madly as the boys in blue, veterans and a regiment of national guard stepped into line.

The crash of bands, the roll of the drums and constant volleying of applause stirred the blood of the most torpid witnesses of the day's events.

No Beds for Sailors.

San Diego, April 15.—Unable to find sleeping accommodations nearly 300 sailors from the battleship fleet who had been granted shore leave were compelled to tramp the streets all night unable to find sleeping accommodations.

The headquarters of the committee on entertainment was visited, but only a few could be cared for.

"What will happen when 6000 sailors come ashore tonight?" ask the men, and committee cannot answer.

The committees had arranged for the entertainment of visitors and have ample accommodations for them but it had not realized the fact that many of the sailors of the fleet would also wish to remain ashore over night and had made no plans for them.

CONGRESS WILL ADJOURN ON FRIDAY, MAY 15

Washington, April 15.—Congress will adjourn May 15. This announcement was made by Representative Watson after a brief conference with the president. The original date set was May 9, but the president asked that the time be extended to give the congress of governors which meets here on May 13 on the subject of the conservation of natural resources a chance to meet while congress is in session.

The President Loses.

Washington, April 15.—By a rising vote it is evident today that the president's proposition of four new battleships has been defeated. A further vote will be taken by the telers.

"Affinity Broker" Sentenced.

Chicago, April 15.—Marion Gray, "affinity broker," was today sentenced to one year in the house of correction by Judge Landis. She was convicted of using the U. S. mails to defraud in conducting a matrimonial bureau at Elgin, Illinois.

MORE OF THE STANFORD MUSS.

College Paper Upholds the 41 Suspended Students.

Stanford, April 15.—In a memorial edition dedicated to 41 Stanford men recently suspended by the student affairs committee for their part in the student parade expressing disapprobation of the methods of the committee, the Stanford Sequoia, the college magazine, today said editorially:

"We extend our sympathy to the ousting of students whose characters were assailed by some members of the faculty. Our admiration goes out to the men who can fight, who can see justice thwarted in an American college and still have faith in the ultimate triumph of justice.

"And our admiration also goes out to men who made a manly apology for trivial offense and who were discriminated against in the final reckoning; who did not defy the college authority, but who joined in a protest of the most narrow-minded and unfair student affairs committee that was ever afflicted upon an American university. To all these men this issue of the Stanford Sequoia is affectionately dedicated."

CHRISTIANITY'S CRISIS.

Chicago Professor Declares New Faith Is Coming.

Chicago, April 15.—"In my opinion Christianity is in the most grievous crisis of its history. I do not refer to controversies in newspapers and on the streets, but to the quiet, bitter battle which serious men are fighting out in their own souls. It is the dying of the old faith which Christianity is experiencing."

In these words George Burman Foster, of the Divinity school of the University of Chicago, strikes the keynote of a remarkable essay, "concerning the religious basis of ethics" in the American Journal of Theology for April. Activity of the churches and their apparent prosperity, according to the daring theologian, are only throes which precede dissolution.

SAYLOR SHIPPED BIGGEST STEERS

NINETY-TWO HEAD WEIGH-ED 1536 POUNDS EACH

Price Received Was \$4.90 Per 100, Making the Total Value of the Steers \$75.26 Each—Had Been Fed for Four Months by J. B. Saylor and Were Shipped to Alaskan Markets—Last of Butter Creek Cattle Shipped Out.

What is believed to be the heaviest shipment of fat steers ever sent out of the Butter creek feeding pens was shipped from Echo by J. B. Saylor this week. There were 92 head of steers in the shipment, their average weight being 1536 pounds. The price received was \$4.90 per 100, making the total price of the steers \$75.26 each.

The shipment was sold to J. L. Cox of the Pacific Coast Storage company of Tacoma, and they were sent to Tacoma from Echo and will be reshipped to the Alaskan markets this month. They were the choice of several hundred head and had been fed by Mr. Saylor for about four months on alfalfa.

There were four carloads of the shipment and many people who had watched the monster animals gain flesh during the winter came to the stockyards at Echo to see them loaded and sent away.

About 100 head, the last of 7000 head fed on Butter creek during the past winter, have been shipped from Echo in the past few days.

Baseball Scores.

Los Angeles, April 15.—Portland 7, Los Angeles 0.

Oakland, April 15.—San Francisco 1, Oakland 0.

Hermiston Case Heard.

In the circuit court this morning the attorneys in the case of Yates vs. the Maxwell Irrigation company argued a motion to strike out part of the complaint that had been filed. The motion was made by R. R. Johnson, attorney for the Maxwell company, who argued the same this morning. F. H. Bartlett and J. R. Raley are attorneys for the plaintiff.

Eugene will send a large float to the Portland Rose show.

WESTON NORMAL IS MOST PROSPEROUS

President R. C. French, head of the Weston Normal school, was here last evening and this forenoon upon business connected with the school. He says that the school is now prospering as it has never before and he does not apprehend eastern Oregon will henceforth have any trouble securing from the state the money it will require for operating its normal.

During the time President French has been president of the Weston Normal that institution has advanced from a position at the foot of the normal school list to the rank of the leading school of that class in the state. There are now over 200 students enrolled.

ECHO TO GRIND ALFA MEAL

Factory Coming From \$25,000 to \$1,000 Will Be Installed During the Summer.

OFFERS TO CONTRACT ALFA MEAL AT \$6.50 PER TON

Capacity of Factory Will Be 500 Tons Per Month and the Product Will Be Used in Feeding Stock—J. E. Murphy and Company of Portland Will Start the Enterprise—Alfalfa Meal Worth About \$20 Per Ton as Stock Feed.

An alfalfa meal factory is to be started at Echo and it promises to furnish an important addition to the enterprises of the west end of the county. The factory is to be started by J. E. Murphy & Co., now conducting a similar plant in Portland and the mill will be established close to the Henrietta flour mill at Echo. The power of the flour mill will be used to operate the new factory.

An announcement regarding the establishment of the alfalfa meal factory was received by phone from Echo this morning and was later confirmed by W. H. Daughtrey, manager of the Umatilla Ranch company, which owns the Henrietta mill. It is understood that the new plant will be installed this summer so as to be in operation by fall. A plant valued at between \$25,000 and \$50,000 will be established and a force of eight or 10 men will be used in operating the same.

Alfalfa meal is used as a stock food and has become very popular as such during the past few years. Murphy & Co. have been operating a plant in Portland for two years and are said to have made money in the business. Alfalfa meal sells in the market for \$20 per ton and it is used largely in dairy sections in place of bran and shorts.

According to W. H. Daughtrey all arrangements for the establishment of the factory have been agreed upon and Murphy & Co. are now merely waiting to contract for alfalfa before starting the plant at Echo. The plant will have a capacity of 500 tons of alfalfa per month and before the company starts work it is desired to have sufficient alfalfa contracted for the present season at least. They are now offering \$6.50 per ton for alfalfa delivered at Echo.

"SOO-SPOKANE LIMITED" TRAIN.

Canadian Pacific Installs New Service From St. Paul to Spokane on April 22.

G. M. Jackson, traveling passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific railway, is in the city today on his way to La Grande and announces that on April 22 the Canadian Pacific will install what will be called the "Soo-Spokane limited" passenger service between St. Paul and Spokane and that tickets will be sold for these trains at all O. R. & N. stations.

It is expected that this new service will be well patronized as it will give direct connections with all through main line Canadian Pacific trains and the seven trains to be put in this service will be elegant. They will cost on an average of \$100,000 each and will be sumptuously and finely appointed.

LITTLE UNDEEDED LAND.

J. T. Williamson Files Report With County Court Today.

J. T. Williamson, the La Grande abstract man, was here yesterday for the purpose of filing his report regarding the undeeded land of the county. He recently contracted with the county court to look up undeeded and untaxed lands in Umatilla county and he has just finished his work. It is understood that he found but little such property, though the exact amount will not be known until the list is checked over for the reason that some of the land reported is already upon the rolls.

Word has just reached Portland that A. H. Rennie, the well known flour mill owner of Hong Kong, committed suicide there by jumping into the bay.