

## NEW SYSTEM FOR LAND OFFICES

ALL RECORDS KEPT IN MODERN METHOD

Department Has Simplified the Work and All Old and Obsolete Methods Have Been Discarded—New Blanks, Files, Indexes and Other Paraphernalia Necessary.

For the purpose of simplifying the system of keeping the records, an entirely new plan was introduced in all district United States land offices and in the general land office at Washington on the first of this month, says the Portland Oregonian. Practically all of the record books heretofore in use have been discarded while what is known as a serial number book and a card index have been substituted.

In the serial book is kept a complete record of every transaction relating to a tract of public land from the time it has been filed on until final proof has been made and patent issued. Corresponding records will be kept at the general land office at Washington.

Formerly this information was recorded in several separate volumes, each transaction regarding a tract of land being designated by a number corresponding with the order in which the proceeding occurred. Under the new system every step in the progress of perfecting title to each piece of public land will be recorded under one serial number with a complete indexing system in connection.

All Papers Kept in Classes. Under the new system one set of numbers will be maintained at each district land office for all classes of entries, purchases, locations, etc. The initial celebration, application or other paper required in any entry, purchase, selection or location will be numbered at the time in the order in which it is presented to the district land office without regard to its subsequent allowance or rejection. All intermediate or final papers required to be filed or issued in connection therewith will be given the same number as the original paper.

Another important change is the establishment of an alphabetical index of all declarants, applications, entries, purchasers, selectors and locators. This index will be maintained both at the district land office and at the general land office and at the general land office at Washington. Still another change has been introduced by which an entirely new system is required of the registers and receivers of the district land offices in making reports.

By the change the entire system has been revolutionized, involving a complete new outfit of blanks, files, letter presses, stamping machines, card indexes, binding apparatus, etc. Because of this fact there prevails a suspicion that a graft has been worked by some one expert in the interest of the manufacturers of such paraphernalia. While the registers and receivers, who are capable, will not mind the annoyance resulting from the complete change, it is believed the new system will be cumbersome and not as satisfactory as the old for permanent use.

### BOISE-BUTTE ROAD AGAIN.

Old Project to Unite Idaho and Montana Is Revived.

The Boise Capital News says of the revival of the old project to build a railroad from Boise to Butte:

The Boise-Butte railroad is again under agitation and indications point to the fact that some definite action is being crystallized towards a re-survey, or purchase of the old survey plans, by an independent company made up of ex-railroad men and capitalists of the east, who have investigated the proposed road and believe that the line would, if constructed, be a paying proposition.

It is understood that advances have been made by the eastern capitalists to the owners of the old survey with the view of purchasing the plans and after making a few necessary charges agitate the construction of the road or else go ahead with

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The building of the proposed Boise-Butte railroad has been the dream of business men of Boise for a long time and though steps have been made towards effecting its start nothing has been accomplished except the establishment of a permanent survey with the right-of-way into the city of Boise.

The original survey of this line was made about 15 years ago and the party then instrumental for it, although without financial backing, managed to run his lines and establish an available route some 200 miles long. His death caused the deal to fall through, but later the survey work was again executed and a company formed to finance the road. This deal never materialized, although the citizens of Boise raised considerable money and offered the citizens right-of-way into the heart of the business district. This right of way still remains laid out and ruins from the city up the Boise river canyon.

Should a new company purchase the plans, etc., of the old survey, the probabilities are that the citizens right of way would also be turned over to them on the condition that the line enters Boise.

It is understood that there are a number of the prominent business men of the city backing the movement and that negotiations have been opened with the eastern purchasers.

### "REAL" INDIAN SCARE.

Colonel Frank J. Parker Tells of Incident of Early Day.

A correspondent at Lyle writes of an amusing Indian "scare" told by Colonel Frank J. Parker, the well known journalist, formerly of the Walla Walla:

Frank J. Parker, pioneer miner, General Howard's old scout in the Indian war of 1878, newspaper man, later United States marshal for Washington under Cleveland, now retired, residing in Portland, has just concluded a trip up the Columbia, noting changes that have been made since he and other miners floated from the Dalles to the Cascades in an Indian canoe, in 1864. Colonel Parker expressed regret that some of the grotesque scenery of the Cascades had to be so ruthlessly obliterated by the recent railroad construction.

Before taking the Portland train, the old miner-scout related a little incident that will clear up to some of the old-timers, what was reported falsely at the time to be an Indian outbreak. The story runs that General Howard's scout, with a Cayuse Indian guide, was en route to intercept General Howard and army in Harney valley. They had made camp on the headquarters of Owyhee river, near Silver City.

During an intermission in the long ride, while the horses were grazing and resting, Colonel Parker and the Indian were shooting "wind" hens. Peaceable Indians passing heard the gun reports and tarried long enough to see dodging through the brush the Indian guide, and presuming at once a band of their mortal foes, the Ban-nocks, were upon them, they hastened with reports to Silver City. Soon there appeared in the newspapers the story of "another outbreak of Indians near Silver City, Idaho."

Colonel Parkers says he has kept the real story of the Indian raid secret these 40 years in order not to detract from the fame of the then rising young journalists.

### HUSBAND'S DEATH KILLS BRAVE WIFE

Arising from Sick Bed to Nurse Him, She Gives Up When Labor Is in Vain.

A few hours after the burial of her husband, whom she had arisen from a sickbed to nurse, and whose funeral she had come to Spokane to attend, though she had but three weeks before given birth to twin boys, Mrs. Louise Winker, her strength gone, but conscious to the last, surrendered at the end of her determined fight yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, passing peacefully away at the Deaconess hospital, says the Spokesman-Review.

The afternoon of the previous day, the last time at which visitors could be permitted to see her, realizing that death was not far distant, she spoke of her babies and turning to her friend, Mrs. L. E. Johnson, who had come from Republic, Wash., with her, took from her fingers two rings, asking Mrs. Johnson to keep one for each of her boys.

When her husband was buried at 10 o'clock Mrs. Kinker was fast approaching the end. At 1 o'clock Dr. E. S. Hutchins, who had attended her, visited her and in response to his efforts to cheer her up talked freely, as freely as her enfeebled condition would allow.

### CABINET FOR JOHNSON.

Bryan Would Placate Friends of the Minnesota Governor.

An interesting echo from Lincoln has reached here to the effect that Mr. Bryan has received favorably the suggestion that the recent pronounced antagonism of the Bryan men to Governor Johnson of Minnesota, shall be offset by the intimation that in the event of Mr. Bryan's election he will invite Johnson to take a place in his cabinet, says a dispatch from Denver. One of the many visitors to Mr. Bryan who is now here has pointed out to him that the marked antagonism to Johnson might alienate the influential Scandinavian element with which the Minnesota governor is identified by birth and association.

Mr. Bryan did not relish the idea of "playing politics," but at the same time, it is said, he received the suggestion with considerable favor and if the matter could be freed from interested motives and political expediency he would be inclined to let it be understood that Governor Johnson would be favorably considered if the occasion arises to form a Bryan cabinet.

### POPULISTS OPEN CAMPAIGN.

Dead Party Will Be Resurrected Tomorrow.

Atlanta, Ga., July 8.—Those who have forgotten that Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, is a candidate for the presidency of the United States, will have their memory jogged tomorrow, when the populists of this state will meet in convention and Hon. Tom will be formally notified of his nomination and will deliver an address in which he will sound the keynote of the people's party national campaign. Populists from all over the state are gathering in Atlanta today and will be addressed tomorrow by several of the national leaders.

Among the distinguished populists who are here or are expected tomorrow are J. W. Forrest, of Albany, N. Y., chairman of the national executive committee; Hon. George A. Han- necker and Hon. Joseph Keim, both of New Jersey; J. A. Parker, of Kentucky; J. H. Ferris, of Illinois, and Dr. R. H. Roomelin, of Cincinnati. Mr. Watson will deliver two addresses tomorrow, one on state and one on national issues. The national committee will hold a meeting tomorrow morning.

Reduced rates have been given by all the railroads and it is expected that several thousand populists will be here tomorrow, making this one of the most important meetings of the party during the campaign.

### EDITOR A HERO.

Plays Violin Solo and Stops Panic-Stricken Audience at Local Entertainment.

At a performance of "A Soldier of Fortune," given by local talent at the Chautauqua auditorium at Scotts Bluff, Neb., Saturday night by the Woman's Commercial club, one of the actors in progress of stage battle with the villain of the play, knocked over one of the kerosene lamps which served as footlights. The lamp broke on the floor in front of the stage and the oil ignited and spread the flames over the floor.

Editor P. J. Barron of the Star, was leading the orchestra and as the audience was starting in a stampede for the exits he stood up near the blaze and commenced a violin solo which was not on the program. The frightened audience paused before any serious crash had been started and in

three minutes the stage hands had extinguished the fire and the play was resumed. Mr. Barron was unable to say with certainty what selection he played, but thought it was Haydn's National Hymn of Austria.

### NEW LOVE-MAKING SYSTEM.

Prince De Sagan Says "the Force of Inertia Wins."

Young men who find difficulty in winning the parental consent to marriage with their fair charmers may find a valuable suggestion in the new love-making system devised by Prince Helle de Sagan and which, he says, was instrumental in winning the heart and fortune of the fair Mme. Anna Gould.

"I won against all the objections of the Gould family and in the face of the ridicule of all the French and American newspapers," says the modest prince, "by a method which has always given me success in my undertakings—the force of inertia."

Elaborating his system, Prince Helle says: "Although accustomed to a Bohemian and care-free life, I possess great determination of character when I really desire to accomplish my purpose. I do not go forth to do battle in the open, however, but remain crouching in my corner until my excited antagonists dash themselves to pieces.

"It is the force of inertia," said the prince, "that wins success in love as in all other matters."

### Hurled from Horse to Death.

One of the most distressing and sadder fatalities ever recorded in the annals of Pocatello's Independence days occurred Saturday, when Charles C. Munn, popularly known as "Charley," was hurled from a horse to his death. The pitiful feature of the accident is in the fact that Munn was hurrying to his home, just at night-fall of the Fourth, after having been on the range over two weeks, and hurrying to a handsome home that had just been completed, and which he and his wife were to occupy for the first time on the night of the Fourth.

At Hoquiam, Wash., Saturday a race horse became unmanageable and ran down the streets into the crowd, striking John Johnson and injuring him so badly that he can not live.

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