



# ENTRY FRAUDS ARE LEGALIZED

### Land Grabbing Corporations May Use "Dummies" Rules U. S. Court.

## ALLOWS LOANS OF MONEY

### In Handling Down Decision, Federal Judge Gives Conservation of Public Lands to Settler, Worst Blow in History.

San Francisco, Feb. 20.—"The worst blow that conservation of public lands to the settler, has received in years." This is the conservationists' verdict here today on a decision of Judge Gilbert, of the United States circuit court of appeals, in the case of the Barber Lumber company, former Governor Steunenberg of Idaho, and others for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government of large timber land tracts in Idaho. The decision practically allows the use of "dummy" entries by land-grabbing corporations in unlimited numbers. This use is limited only by the proviso that a corporation must not know that the entries are fraudulent. It also allows "dummies" to borrow money and to agree to sell their holdings as soon as title is perfected. The decision came as an affirmation of the ruling of the United States circuit court in connection with the filing of applications of 210 entrymen in Boise Basin, Crooked River and Six-Four lands in Idaho in 1901-02. Investigating the entries, the government instituted proceedings, but the circuit court ruled in favor of the corporation and other defendants, asserting lack of evidence.

### Law Is Blamed.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 20.—Colonel C. E. S. Wood, who took part in the Oregon land fraud cases, discussing Judge Gilbert's decision said this afternoon: "It is another decision upholding the predatory interests in their plundering of the people. It is not Judge Gilbert's fault. It is the law. "As it now stands, all that is needed is a few dummy entrymen who will swear they acted as bona fide entrymen, and money. "It gives all opportunity for fraud, and puts a premium on perjury, and the big land grabbers can operate, protected by the very law that is supposed to stop them."

### Conflicts With Supreme Court.

Sacramento, Feb. 20.—Secretary of the State Conservation Commission Louis Glavis said that if Judge Gilbert's decision holds, any one can make an agreement to dispose of lands prior to filing an application and then it also conflicts with a United States supreme court decision.

### Will Probe Smelter Trust.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Attorney General Wickersham is asked to furnish information as to the existence of a smelter trust, in a resolution introduced by Representative Martin, of Colorado. It was referred to the committee on rules.

# PENDLETON DELEGATION OF BOYS TO WALLA WALLA RELIGIOUS MEETING WILL NUMBER 75

In the neighborhood of 75 boys between the ages of 15 and 19 will leave Pendleton next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Walla Walla, where they will attend the boys' meetings of the week's convention for the promotion of the Men and Religion Forward movement. The names of sixty-five of these youths were last night forwarded to the men in the Garden City at the head of the movement and Supt. J. S. Landers who has been actively instrumental in securing such a large delegation, announced this morning that the list sent does not include a number of boys who will be taken over by their parents.

### The Sixty-five.

The list as forwarded last night includes the following boys: Chester Gordon, Oscar Ferguson, John Hinderman, Paul Finnerl, Ivan Sturdivant, Joe Dorsey, Reuben Beckwith, Harold Maloney, Polson Tallman, Walton Rook, Clair Myers, Charles Hawks, Archie Rugg, Ralph Rugg, Ralph Koch, Leland Mentzer, Leo Haw, Fred Perkins, Ward Manker, Jewel Rook, George Hackathorne, Tom Murphy, Tom Gillette, Walter Owen, Deylene Walters, Earl Falmer, Ralph Despain, Edward Rayburn, Glenn Gibson, Orville Bybee, Vernie Russell, Arnold Reed, Chester

# FARMERS HEAR GOOD ADVISE

### Dr. James Withycombe Made Impression With Modern Farming Suggestions.

## MANY ASK QUESTIONS

### Field Peas, Alfalfa and Hogs Should Be Raised Along With Wheat in Umatilla County — Observations Show Wheat Already Shows Effects

By proper farming methods annual crops can be raised on the best wheat land in Umatilla county. Field peas, dry land alfalfa and hogs should be raised to rest the soil and restore nitrogen supply. Light land counties of eastern Oregon now face serious problems because of soil depletion and lack of moisture. Lighter color of growing grain in Umatilla testifies to depletion of nitrogen. When land is rented to tenants, smaller tracts should be allowed tenants and diversification insisted upon by owners. These are some of the points brought forth last evening by Dr. James Withycombe in a very interesting talk upon the subject of modern farming before a good sized audience of farmers and businessmen in the city hall. According to Dr. Withycombe it was the most interested audience he has ever talked to in this city and the questions asked of him at the conclusion of the lecture showed a desire on the part of those present to try out the suggestions made.

Dr. Withycombe was introduced by Jack Keefe, secretary of the Commercial club, and in his direct address he spoke for but half an hour. Those present were then invited to ask questions and many availed themselves of the opportunity. Among those present and making inquiries were George Peringer, Thomas Thompson, Judge W. R. Ellis, A. C. Hampton, A. P. May, and others. The farmers inquired as to the best time for the seeding of peas and for cropping the same. They were told to seed the peas just as early as possible in February or March and to hog them off before the hot weather arrived. The doctor recommends the white Canadian pea as a good variety to use and he suggests that those who want to try dry land alfalfa use Montana seed.

Dr. Withycombe is a pleasing and entertaining speaker and won the confidence of his listeners by the friendly and frank manner in which he presented his subject. The following is a synopsis of his address:

Dr. Withycombe's Address. Agriculture supplies the basic wealth of our state and nation. All wealth comes primarily from the soil. Thus all business interests are directly concerned in the production of farm crops. This is shown by the interest taken by a great number of commercial bodies in agricultural development. The National Soil Fertility League comprises the largest business of the world.

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# WEST EXTENSION IS FAVORABLY REPORTED BY SPECIAL BOARD OF FEDERAL ENGINEERS

Portland, Ore., Feb. 20.—According to special dispatches received here from Washington, the special board of engineers, which recently investigated the West Umatilla project, with a view to its adoption and construction by the government, reported yesterday to Acting Secretary of the Interior Adams. Adams said the report was favorable and strongly recommended the extension. It is unknown yet whether the interior department's action will be favorable. Assistant Secretary Adams is expected to take some sort of action on the report the latter part of this week, but the matter will ultimately be acted on by President Taft.

# OFFICER MURDERED GIRL MILL STRIKER

### Evidence Shows Accused Leader of Strikers is Innocent.

Lawrence, Feb. 20.—Positive declaration that Policeman Bennett, and not K. Joseph Etter, the leader of the striking textile workers, fired the shot which killed Anna Lapizza, the young woman striker, was made here today by Greta Sewell, at Etter's hearing.

Etter is being held, charged with her killing, although he was a mile away and proved it. The strikers charge he is being held to prevent any more agitation in the strike.

### MISSOURI IN A SULKY MOOD.

Lose Self-Concept Because Its Geological Epitaph Shrinks Its Age. Columbia, Mo.—Professor E. B. Branson, head of the department of geology at the University of Missouri, announced recently that a fossil found by one of his students near Hartsburg, Boone county, completely upsets the theory held up to this time as to the geological history of Missouri.

The state, the fossil proves was covered by a sea as late as 2,000,000 years ago. Scientists formerly held that it was 12,000,000 years since this part of the country was covered by a sea.

The fossil is that of a shark's tooth dug from a bluff near the Missouri river. It was buried fifty feet deep and was discovered by a cave-in of the high bank of the river. The discovery was made by G. C. Swindle of Wheaton, Mo., a student in geology. The tooth is from a shark of the cretaceous age. Previously no rocks younger than the carboniferous age, not later than 12,000,000 years ago, had ever been found in the state. The area of this sea now known to exist at this late period covered a strip through the middle western states from the Gulf of Mexico, through Oklahoma, Kansas, part of Iowa, up into the Arctic ocean.

# FORGER WANTED HERE CAPTURED AT BAKER

One more passer of worthless checks has piled his trade in Pendleton and has met the fate of his many predecessors. After passing his paper on Earl Counts in the St. George bar and upon the Golden Rule Store, E. H. Burnes continued on his way to Baker only to fall into the clutches of the law.

Burnes formerly conducted a restaurant at Hermiston. Saturday he was in the city and, during the course of business transactions, presented checks for small amounts at the places mentioned above and received cash in change. When the bogus nature of the paper was discovered, the man had a two days' start of the officers but Sheriff Taylor immediately sent instructions out over the northwest. Today he was notified that the man had been arrested on a charge at Baker and had been identified afterwards as the same who had passed the checks here. Whether he will be prosecuted in Baker or brought back here to face charges has not yet been decided.

### Hall Adjutant General.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Grigadier General William P. Hall automatically assumed the offices of adjutant general upon the retirement of Major General Ainsworth in the opinion of officers of that department. General Hall is at present somewhere in Italy or Egypt, engaged in missionary work. He is expected to return to Washington some time in April. After General Hall's retirement in June a selection will be made by President Taft from among the colonels of the department to assume the office.

### Manchu Revolt Imminent.

Pekin, Feb. 20.—Manchurian reports that anti-republican agitation is growing and outbreaks by Manchu adherents is imminent.

# SPELL BINDING IN CONGRESS RIDICULED

### Vice President Sherman Says It Is Legislative Froth.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Speechmaking by congressmen don't count much in lawmaking, in the opinion of Vice President Sherman. Discussing how laws are made in the latest issue of the Woman's Home Companion, he says: "A debate, as a rule, has little effect on the fate of a measure. It is largely the froth of legislation. The substance is the work performed by the committee which have the bills in charge. "Congress is physically unable to give even perfunctory attention to all the bills introduced. Each bill can receive only eight minutes' consideration and bills on a general subject are entitled to a reasonable amount of consideration before being passed."

# LOCAL DEMOCRATS TO WELCOME BRYAN

When William Jennings Bryan, the great Nebraska orator and three-acted democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States, arrives in Portland on the last day of this month to make one of his famous addresses, among the reception committee members from over the state who will meet him will be three of the prominent democrats of Pendleton, James H. Raley, Mayor William F. Matlock and Will M. Peterson, for several years chairman of the county democratic central committee.

Invitations have been received by these gentlemen to act as representatives of the democrats of Umatilla county and the invitations have been accepted by Messrs. Raley and Peterson who Mayor Matlock believes he will be able to make the trip. Bryan will speak on the evening of the 29th in the Gypsy Smith auditorium in Portland and, because of his still great influence on the politics of the nation and because he has espoused the cause of Woodrow Wilson, great interest is being manifested in the address he will make.

# BRAKEMAN HELD FOR PASSENGER TRAIN ROBBERY

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 20.—Seven hours after a masked bandit held up and robbed a Baltimore-Ohio passenger train No. 1, near West Piedmont, W. Va., robbing the passengers of jewelry and money at a revolver point, Brakeman Becker was arrested at Kayser, W. Va. The police assert that the money and jewelry were found on Becker. Sixteen passengers were robbed.

# ITALIAN CONSULS CANNOT INTERFERE WITH STATES

Washington, Feb. 20.—By a decision of the United States supreme court it is held that Italian consuls are not given a treaty right to intervene and exclude the state authorities in settling the estates of Italian subjects who have died interstate in the United States.

# TEDDY COMPLETES SPEECH FOR CONSTITUTION MEET

New York, Feb. 20.—Although he arrived early at the Outlook office, Colonel Roosevelt received only a few visitors today and devoted most of the morning to reading the final draft of his speech, for Columbus, Wednesday. He will leave for Columbus this evening.

### Outlook Brighter.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 20.—"Everything looks favorable for a settlement of the strike," said James R. Monier, chairman of the Central Labor Union, which is trying to bring about peace in the strike situation here, at the conclusion of a committee meeting today. While no official report was given out, it is understood definite communication from the mill owners is expected when the committee meets again.

### Two Hurt in Collision.

Middleton, Pa., Feb. 20.—The Pennsylvania's flier, between New York and Chicago collided today with the provision that a corporation firemen were injured.

# COMPENSATION FOR R. R. MEN

### President Urges Passage of Law Making Roads Liable For Injury.

## PAYMENT BASED ON WAGES

### Chief Executive Declares Bill Would Do Away With Evil of Common Law Suits Now Clogging the Courts of the Country.

Washington, Feb. 20.—In a special message to congress today, President Taft urges the passage of laws, providing for the compensation of railroad employes for accidental injuries, to be fixed in accordance with a positive scale, as recommended by the liability and workmen's compensation commission. The message declares that the commission's theory is that such employes should be insured against injury sustained in work, without reference to contributory negligence and without a common law limitation on the liability of the employer. The message says the details of the measure are admirably worked out. They provide for medical and hospital service for injured men, notice of injury to the employer, where such notice is not obviously given by the accident itself and the fixing of compensation, by agreement. The amount of recovery is regulated in proportion to the amount of wages received and compensation is made in the form of annual payments for a fixed number of years or for life. Fees, paid to attorneys, are to be specifically remedied and the remedies offered are exclusive of any others.

President Taft declared the greatest evil the law would destroy would be the multitude of suits, under the common law, which now clog the courts. "SUFFRAGE SUNDAY" PLANNED FOR PULPITS IN CHICAGO Chicago, Ill.—Chicago is to have a "Suffrage Sunday," with the pulpits of the various churches covered with banners and signs that will force the attention of the congregation to the need of "votes for women." The date set is March 10 and the propaganda session of the Chicago Political Equality League is the organization responsible for the innovation. "We members of the league have felt for a long time that our cause was not getting sufficient publicity," said Mrs. Charles W. Thompson, chairman of the propaganda session, "so we recently decided that we would ask all of the ministers of the city either to preach suffrage sermons on one set day or turn over their pulpits to speakers chosen by us." Letters were written to all of the city ministers and several answers were received. All of these were favorable to the suggestion.

# WILL ENDORSE CHAMP CLARK

Joplin, Mo., Feb. 20.—Champ Clark will be endorsed as democratic presidential nominee by the democratic state convention late today and the Missouri national delegates will be instructed to vote for him. It is believed an attempt to name Governor Wilson as second choice will be made.

### Unionists Reach Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Feb. 20.—H. W. Legler, of Denver, formerly a member of the executive board of Ironworkers, and Frank Painter, Omaha business agent, arrived here this afternoon to answer to the indictments of the federal grand jury in connection with the dynamitings.

### President Entertains Tonight.

Washington, Feb. 20.—On the eve of the Lenten season, President and Mrs. Taft held the last state receptions at the white house tonight. Officers of the army and navy will be guests.

### RAILROAD AND OPERA COMPANIES INDICTED.

Chicago, Illinois, Feb. 20.—The United States grand jury here today returned indictments against the Big Four Michigan Central and Lake Shore railroads, their passenger agents, the Houck opera company and several other amusement companies, charging 25 per cent rebating in the transportation of theatrical companies through a scheme whereby the railroads paid excessively for advertising in the theatrical programs.

# GOOD ROADS BILL WILL BE DISCUSSED BY UMATILLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION FEB. 24

For the purpose of securing an expression of sentiment regarding the West good roads bill, so called, a meeting of the Umatilla County Good Roads association has been called for 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the rooms of the Commercial association. President Henry J. Taylor issued the call this morning following receipt of a number of the petitions for the initiating of the bill. President Taylor is himself opposed to the proposed good roads bill, but believing there are some who favor the bill and others who are not acquainted with the provisions of the

# OROZCO MADE REBEL CHIEF

### Professed Loyalist to Direct Revolt to Overthrow Madero.

## INSURGENTS MEET DEFEAT

### Former President Diaz From Place of Exile, Sniffing Watches His Conqueror's Fight to Keep Power Over Mexico.

El Paso, Feb. 20.—Despite his reported loyalty to President Madero, a manifesto was issued by Vasquez at Casa Grande, today naming General Orozco as commander-in-chief of the revolutionists. No recent word has been received from Orozco who is at Chihuahua.

### Rebels Defeated.

Mexico City, Feb. 20.—It is reported that a big battle between General Rodiez, commanding the federalists and Zapatistas occurred near Guernavaca, in which the rebels were beaten. No estimate of casualties is given.

### Diaz Tinkled.

Toulon, Feb. 20.—Former President Diaz is watching the Mexican revolt and is keenly satisfied. He said today that President Madero is paying "dearly for his thirst for power." Senator Diaz says he hopes peace will soon be restored and declared that he doesn't know whether he will ever return to Mexico. He is contented here since his health has returned.

According to Diaz, Madero's followers believed, when they made him president, that all the big ranches would be divided and that they would enjoy a great area of prosperity. When they found Madero would not do this they became disgruntled, the present disturbances resulted. Diaz said he resigned the presidency simply to keep peace and said he could easily have quelled the Madero revolution.

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