

LANDS SET ASIDE.

Great Tract May Be Reclaimed in Harney County.

Washington, July 21.—Another irrigation project in Eastern Oregon has been taken up for examination by the engineers of the reclamation service. Pending an examination into this project 336,000 acres in Northwestern Harney county, lying along Silver creek, have been withdrawn temporarily from entry. Hasty examination of this region leads the engineers to believe it may be possible to reclaim quite a large tract by the storage of the surplus waters of Silver creek, from which the project takes its name. Nothing positive is known as to the possibilities of this region, and will not be known before the close of the Summer.

At the request of the Reclamation Service, the Secretary of the interior has withdrawn from all save homestead entry the following townships, all south and east: Twenty-two, range 25 and 26; 23, ranges 25, 26 and 27; 24, ranges 26, 27 and 28; 25 and 26, ranges 27, 28 and 29, all inclusive.

In addition the following lands on which it is thought storage reservoirs may be located, have been withdrawn from all forms of entry: Section 36, township 21, south, range 25 east; sections 14 to 17, 20 to 23, 26 to 33, township 22 south, range 25 east; sections 4 to 6, township 22 south, range 26 east.

As engineers who are working on Klamath river extend their examinations, they find that it is probable that a larger area can be irrigated from Klamath river than was originally contemplated. They consequently recommended, and the Secretary of the Interior today withdrew from all, save homestead entry nearly 400,000 acres lying south and east of Klamath Falls in Klamath county, and adjoining previous withdrawals in this vicinity. He also withdrew 500,000 acres in California lying tributary to the Klamath river.

McKinney is Out.

Chicago, July 21.—After having been kept from the knowledge of the general public for several months it has leaked out that G. M. McKinney, the immigration agent of the Harriman lines, has been relieved from the duties of his office at Chicago, and that the immigration bureau at this time is without a permanent head. It was at first rumored that the bureau was to be abolished, since it has been found to be an extra expense which brought no results commensurate with the outlay, but this is denied by the railroad officials who are in touch with the situation, though they decline to discuss the question at any length.

From sources which are authentic, but which may not be quoted, it is learned however, that the failure of Mr. McKinney to produce the required results was the prime cause of his being discontinued as the head of the immigration bureau and that his removal from office will not in the end affect the work of the department in any degree. The Harriman people expected naturally when the bureau had been in working order a year or so that its efforts would bring many more people than usual to the sparsely settled regions of the Northwest and thus increase the business of the road, but their expectations were not realized to the extent desired and it was decided to reorganize the bureau, perhaps on a different plan.

Those who have been interested in the immigration department of the work of the Harriman lines are of the opinion that when the bureau is once more put on a solid footing, which will be at some time in the Fall, the headquarters will be moved further West in order to give the men at its head a more intimate knowledge of the conditions that have to be met in the work. When the matter is taken up at the next meeting of the passenger traffic managers, which will be held in a few weeks in Chicago, plans will in all probability be submitted for the reorganization of the bureau on a broader foundation than previously, as the importance of the

work is recognized. As long as the other roads maintain this department of the service the Harriman lines will not discontinue the bureau, for it would work to the disadvantage of the lines through the West.

Millions in Loot.

Butte, Mont., July 22.—Two more suits were begun in the District Court today by the Boston & Montana Company to recover damages to the amount of many millions of dollars on account of the alleged looting of large quantities of valuable ore from the adjoining mines through the Minnie Healy workings. In the two suits that were begun today judgments are asked to the amount of \$7,400,000 making a total with the big suit that was begun on Thursday of \$13,150,000 for ore alleged to have been unlawfully extracted from the veins of the Colusa, Piccolo and Gambetta mines through underground workings in the Minnie Healy.

In the five suits that have been begun recently against Heinze and his agents, alleging the looting of ore from the Michael Davitt, Little Mina, Colusa, Piccolo and Gambetta mines, the judgments in damages that are asked aggregate \$16,850,000.

The two suits begun today were against Heinze corporations alleged to have been in charge of the Minnie Healy mine at different periods in the complicated proceedings that have arisen through the litigation over the property.

In testimony given in court it has been stated by Mr. Heinze and various of his agents that during certain intervals in turn the Minnie Healy Company, the Montana Ore-Purchasing Company, the Johnstown Company and the Hypocka Company were conducting the operations in the mine, and various suits have been begun in order to secure damages from each of these corporations, it being alleged that all of them carried on the same looting operations in the ore bodies of the three adjoining mines that belong to the Boston and Montana Company.

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Estray Notice.

Came to my ranch, about twelve miles east of Heppner on Butter creek road, one bright bay gelding, weight about 950 pounds, 6 or 7 years old branded C on left thigh, star on forehead and light saddle marks. Owner will come and prove property and take him away. HENRY JONES, 99-102 Heppner, Or.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

Left my place about the last of May, one black 3 year-old filly, slim built, branded R. D. on left shoulder. Five Dollars reward for return of animal or information leading to recovery. MRS. A. W. DYKSTRA.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Fred Warnock and E. P. Michell, under the firm name of Warnock & Michell, has been dissolved by mutual consent, E. P. Michell retiring. All bills of the former firm will be paid by Fred Warnock, who will also collect all outstanding accounts. FRED WARNOCK, E. P. MICHELL.

Heppner, Ore., July 12, 1904.

A SLIP OF THE TONGUE.

It Sounded Strange, But Considering the Situation There Was Nothing Remarkable About It.

A matron of Mount Pleasant, through the need of a lead pencil, furnished no end of embarrassment to herself and great amusement to the passengers of a Fourteenth street car one morning lately, says the Washington Post. She evidently had come down town, as her attire would indicate, for the express purpose of shopping, and the conspicuous bag which she carried was plainly intended to play an important part in the tour, expressing, as it were, the matron's independence of the pleasure of the delivery wagons.

As the car neared the business part of town it became somewhat crowded, and the conductor's request to "sit closer, please," had rendered every one's discomfort plainly apparent. Particularly true was it to the tall, stately, well-groomed man who sat next to the resident of Mount Pleasant, all of which seemed to be her cue to begin fumbling around in the deep bag, and finally extracting the inevitable shopping list which was carefully examined and again placed in the dark recesses of the bag.

Then the matron suddenly thought of something, so again the list saw the light of day. No, the article was not there, and from her attitude it must have been important and not to be forgotten, so the search for the lead pencil began, during which time the dignified gentleman had very much more than his share of jolting, which oftener than once interrupted his review of the morning paper. However he was very good natured about it, and every time the little woman said "beg pardon" his hand endeavored to reach his hat and his polite nod assured her that it was granted. But the lead pencil could not be found. Bag and pocketbook had been turned inside out, still it was nowhere to be seen. Withal she was a modest little woman and seemed to hesitate about asking the conductor or some one near her for a pencil. But with a quick resolve she gently touched her neighbor's arm. "Beg pardon," she said, "may I borrow your shoestrings?" Of course there was a general titter throughout the car.

"My shoestrings, madam?" said the aristocratic looking man.

"Oh, did I say shoestrings?" exclaimed the little woman. "I meant your lead pencil; shoe strings is what I want to add to my shopping list."

The little woman soon returned the pencil amid blushes and thanks, and settled back in her seat determined to remain quiet until her destination was reached. Then the Willard was in sight and the stately gentleman prepared to leave the car, the conductor in the meanwhile having entered it.

"Good morning, senator," said the conductor, as his passenger passed out.

Everybody, of course, looked at the little woman from Mount Pleasant, who had heard, too.

AUSTRIA'S STATE SECRETS.

They Are Placed for Security in Iron Rooms of House Built Expressly for Them.

The Austrian imperial archives have been lately conveyed from the Hofburg to the great house built for them adjoining the foreign office. They will later on be opened for public inspection, from the most ancient documents down to those of 1840, says the London Telegraph. The rooms containing the secret archives are of ironwork, each story being completely separated from the next one, so that neither fire nor water can penetrate. Hose supplying abundance of water is fixed in every direction, the windows can neither be melted by fire nor destroyed by blows and the ornamental ironwork before each window can be unlocked in case of emergency.

It is remembered when Napoleon Bonaparte invaded Austria and established himself at Schonbrunn with what terrible haste the secret archives were carried off to Buda-Pesth to the Ofen stronghold, these being the first things secured when all else was left. Among the iron cases stands a plain wooden box which will not be opened for 50 years.

It contains the letters and papers of the late Crown Prince Rudolph hurriedly collected at Mayerling on the day of the disaster and placed in a box bought in the adjoining village.

Willie Was Excused.

The following note was recently received by a Higginsville (Kan.) school teacher: "Respected Miss: please excuse Willie for absents. He fell downstairs just before school time and we feared his internal insides was hurt at first, but they ain't. The doctor says that no part of his anatomy was hurt, but the brewing of the epydermis of the outside hide and also his hipp hurt some. But he narrowly escaped fatal death. So kindly excuse."

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