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RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Israel W. Durham, a prominent politician of Philadelphia, is dead.

The Pittsburg streetcar strike was settled satisfactorily to all concerned after a day of rioting.

Li Ching Hsu, nephew of Li Hung Chang, is dead. He was the Chinese charge d'affaires at Mexico City.

The shops and roundhouse of the Tonopah & Goldfield road at Tonopah, Nev., have been destroyed by fire.

A large quantity of smuggled opium has been discovered in San Francisco and two Chinese arrested as the principals.

Chancellor von Buelow, of Germany, will resign as soon as the finance bill is disposed of. His successor has not yet been selected.

Winnipeg will prohibit American circuses from parading unless they display the flag of Great Britain instead of that of the United States.

The Cincinnati city council has passed an ordinance directing that clocks be turned back one hour from May 1 to September, inclusive, thus giving more daylight.

Pittsburg streetcar men have gone on a strike.

Roosevelt is said to be much heavier than when he left the White House.

Castro still remains in Spain, condemning everything and everybody.

Cardinal Sattoli is seriously ill and grave doubts are entertained for his recovery.

Hawaiian sugar planters have agreed to make no concessions to the Japanese strikers.

A vigorous campaign has been started in New York against the common house fly.

Hundreds of persons suffering from leprosy are said to wander unrestricted through the island of Cuba.

Ex-Vice President Fairbanks says the Japanese rule in Corea gives good promise for the future of the country.

California Democrats have gone on record as favoring ex-Governor Folk, of Missouri, as candidate for president in 1921.

Friends of F. A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, expect to hear from him at any time now that he has been successful in reaching the pole.

Jap strikers in Hawaii have appealed to Governor Froom.

Reports from Morocco say the revolutionists are winning over the sultan's troops.

Deposits in the Chicago national banks are at the highest point ever reached.

Mrs. Katherine Gould has been granted her divorce and \$36,000 a year alimony.

Secretary Ballinger has started on his Western trip to inspect the various irrigation works.

The Standard Oil has announced a cut of 10 cents per 100 gallons in the price of refined oil.

Excessive heat throughout the Atlantic states continues to cause much suffering and scores have been prostrated.

Miners and operators in the Fernie, B. C., coal district have come to an agreement and the strike has been called off.

The Turkish government is still trying to secure Abdul Hamid's money. He has \$21,500,000 in the Imperial bank of Germany.

A New York street car man is gradually turning black. The change started about a year ago and he is now as black as a negro except the right side of his face.

Voliva, successor of Dowie at Zion City, has been deposed.

William J. Bryan, Jr., is married. Miss Helen Virginia Berger became his wife.

The German reichstag has rejected Von Buelow's inheritance tax and may be dissolved.

A 12-year-old California boy has confessed to the murder of his little brother 6 years old.

Chicago women have said many unkind things of Professor Starr, who holds all women as savages.

Harriman is closing many of his shops temporarily. Work will be resumed again in about 30 days.

Northwestern and Southern Nebraska have been swept by tornadoes.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is now vice president of the Standard Oil company.

A special election in San Francisco voted against the establishment of a municipal street railway line.

J. Ogden Armour has returned from Europe and says the outlook for better times is bright. He does not look for war between Germany and Great Britain.

A Chicago boy tried to imitate the Black Hand and was shot and fatally wounded.

Although the senate has raised the duty on lumber the house is likely to again lower it.

Leaders in congress say President Taft's corporation tax is sure of passing in both houses.

The contract has been awarded for rebuilding the bridge across the Willamette river at Madison street, Portland.

DYNAMITE STOPS PHONES.

Heavy Explosion Jars Business Part of Chicago.

Chicago, June 29.—An explosion supposed to have been caused by dynamite did great damage in the business district tonight, injured two or three persons severely, and wrecked stores and windows for a block near Clark and Washington streets.

The exact nature of the explosion is unknown, because of the great amount of debris thrown about the alley where it occurred. The police think it another in a series of gamblers' war bombs that have mystified detectives for more than two years.

The scene of the explosion was in an alley in the rear of the central telephone exchange. The Chicago telephone company was unable to do any more business during the night. Two restaurants on Clark street were blown practically into the streets, food being scattered over the car tracks.

In this alley also was the rear entrance to Powers & Lambert's saloon, headquarters for Martin B. Madden and his associates in the building trades. Madden and his men are figuring largely in labor disputes at present, and have been the subject of grand jury indictments.

Another place opening into the alley which was badly damaged, was the cash register store of Mont Tennessee, who is alleged to conduct several gambling places. Tennessee's place has been raided frequently by the police. An other bomb was exploded there a year ago.

ALASKA ROAD OPEN 1910.

Big Rush to Interior Predicted When Travel is Easier.

Seattle, Wash., June 29.—S. W. Eccles, president of the Copper River & Northwestern railroad, arrived here last night, and will sail for Cordova, Alaska, July 1, to look over the railroad construction work and the other property of the Morgan and Guggenheim interests, especially newly discovered copper deposits.

"The Copper River & Northwestern will be opened in 1910 for traffic," said Mr. Eccles "and I predict there will be a great rush of people to the interior of Alaska, as the hardships of the trail that many have had to face and that have deterred countless numbers from going into the interior, will be removed by the opening of the new road. The same vegetables and agricultural products that can be raised in Norway and Sweden can be raised in Alaska. The country will be fully exploited once the new road is in operation."

Mr. Eccles says that his company will build a 50-mile railroad to open gold fields as soon as title to the land is received from the government.

IMPORTANT RULE MADE.

Canada May Control Roads Starting in United States.

Ottawa, Ont., June 29.—An important judgment has been handed down by the board of railway commissioners for Canada. By this decision Canada may rule railway systems originating in the United States. The case decided was that of the Dawson board of trade, which complained of excessive rates on the White Pass & Yukon railroad. The company replied as only a part of its system was in Canadian territory the Canadian board had no jurisdiction.

The chairman of the board, ex-Judge Mabee, in a carefully drawn judgment, disposes of this theory altogether.

The conclusion reached is that the board has jurisdiction over the tolls the company or companies may be entitled to charge on through traffic received at Skagway or that district to White Horse or any other intermediate point between the international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia and White Horse upon the railway lines, and upon through traffic received at any point upon the railway line between White Horse and the boundary, destined to Skagway.

Moros Fall in Battle.

Manila, June 29.—Successful operations against Jikiri's band of Moro bandits have been conducted during the past few days by Captains Byram, Rhodes and Anderson, commanding detachments of the Sixth Cavalry that are co-operating with the mosquito fleet under Captain Signor. Thirty-one of the band have been killed or captured during the past 30 days, but Jikiri himself always manages to evade capture. The several cavalry detachments are still in pursuit and expect to capture or exterminate the outlaws.

O'Brien Sails for Home.

Tokio, June 29.—Thomas O'Brien, American ambassador to Japan, sailed for home today on the liner Mongolia, to spend his vacation in the United States and Europe. Mrs. O'Brien is now in Europe and the ambassador will join her there after a short stay in Washington. The departure of the American diplomat from Tokio was the occasion of a considerable assembly of government officials and diplomats at the station to bid him farewell. In the absence of Mr. O'Brien, Peter C. Jay, chief secretary, will have charge.

Chinese Viceroy Dead.

Pekin, June 29.—The death today in Tientsin, of Yang Shih Siang, viceroy of Chi-Li, is likely to have a most important bearing on the political situation. Yang Shih Siang died of an apoplectic stroke sustained a fortnight ago and attributed to his anxiety and arduous labor incident to the emperor's funeral. The vicereignty is that of the metropolitan province, a post carrying great power. Yang Shih Siang owed his position to Yuan Shih Kai.

Venezuela Gives Concession.

Caracas, June 29.—The cabinet has approved the draft of the new concession to the Orinoco corporation, recently arranged between Rudolph Dolge, the representative of the corporation, and Senor Arrayar, of the Venezuelan commission. This gives the corporation the right to work large mineral tracts which include the Imataca iron mines.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

DAIRY HERDS PROFITABLE.

Wallowa Farmers Ship Large Quantities of Butter to Pendleton.

Wallowa.—The Wallowa Valley Cream company shipped 1,640 pounds of butter to Pendleton markets a few days ago. This is the first big shipment of butter made from this county, and it represents just one week's cream gathered in this immediate vicinity. During that week the creamery paid the dairymen nearly \$300 in cash. Their checks for May totaled more than \$1,200.

Dairying is proving exceedingly profitable in this vicinity. Last month Tulley Bros. averaged more than \$10 clear profit from each of a herd of 32 cows. The herd is tended by two men and a milking machine is employed. These could increase the herd to nearly double its present size without requiring any additional help.

Wallowa's Beauties Pleased Visitors.

Wallowa.—The railroad men's excursion to Joseph was one of the most successful ever run into this county. More than 2,000 attended from La Grande, Elgin, Pendleton, Baker City and all parts of Union and Wallowa counties. The Joseph people provided free conveyances to the lake, free lunches and free coffee. Two ball games were played, one in the forenoon and one in the afternoon between Joseph and Wallowa, which Wallowa won. Many of the tourists visited the country for the first time and were enraptured with the beauty of the lake and the matchless surroundings.

Crop Prospects Poor.

Pendleton.—Dr. W. R. Campbell, state organizer for the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative union, has returned from Sherman county, where he had been in the interest of the organization. He says the union is now completely organized in Wasco county with seven locals, Sherman county with four locals and Gilliam county with two. In speaking of the crop prospects in that part of Oregon, Dr. Campbell said: "Wasco will harvest a No. 1 crop, Sherman will have three-fourths of a crop, Gilliam a little more than one half and Morrow a little less than one half."

Corvallis Gets New Sawmill.

Corvallis.—By the first of October, Gerlinger & McCready will have a large sawmill established on the river site south of town, known as Avery's flat. In a snappy meeting of the Commercial club \$1,100 was raised in a few minutes to offer as a bonus for the mill. Mr. Gerlinger has been active in lumber interests in Dallas and Mr. McCready hails from Blackrock. They own timber near Corvallis and have had an extensive mill operating there for some time and this enterprise will be a welcome aid to the local lumber business.

Medford Land Sold.

Medford.—Fred H. Hopkins, formerly a prominent Portland clubman and member of the brokerage firm of Downing & Hopkins, has sold his famous Snowy Butte orchard near Medford for \$150,000 to Edwin B. Lammer, of Bozeman, Mont. There are 300 acres in the tract, 160 is bearing apples and pears and 100 acres is in young trees. Another sale just made was that of the J. W. Myers tract, consisting of 20 acres of young trees to A. Conroy Theiro of Chicago for \$20,000.

Drill for Water in Klamath.

Klamath Falls.—Through the enterprise of Dave Edler extensive experiments are to be made in drilling for artesian water. It is the intention of Mr. Edler to drill for water on his arid ranches in Klamath county during the summer and in Lake county in the fall. Experiments for artesian water will be made in Eastern Lake county, and should they be successful it will permit the grazing of stock on this vast dry plain during the summer months, when all stock must be removed owing to a lack of moisture.

Club Boosts New Road.

Marshfield.—The Young Men's Commercial club, which has been recently organized, has taken up as the first work the construction of a good wagon road to Roseburg so there will be a better mail service and easier overland transportation for passengers. It is believed here that Douglas county people can be induced to do their part and that if the two counties work together they can build a road which will admit of automobile travel.

Potatoes Delayed in Transit.

Salem.—R. H. Knox, of Independence, has complained to the State Railroad commission, under date of June 18, that 20 sacks of potatoes shipped from Gaston, Ore., June 14, had not arrived on the 18th. Potatoes being perishable at this season, complainant asks if he can be compelled to accept the shipment when it arrives.

Prune Crop is Poised.

Salem.—A number of the leading prune men of this vicinity met here a few days ago and organized an independent pool. About 2,000,000 pounds, or 20 per cent of the Salem crop, was represented. A committee of three was appointed to market this year's crop.

Albany Fruit Too Heavy.

Albany.—Peaches are so thick on a tree in the yard of the residence of ex-County Judge C. H. Stewart, at Sixth and Ferry streets, in this city, that it was necessary to pick off 1 1/2 bushels of peaches, as small and undeveloped as they now are, to prevent limbs from breaking.

Wins Whitman Scholarship.

Ontario.—Arthur Moody, of this year's graduating class at the high school, has been awarded a scholarship in Whitman college at Walla Walla for high standing in his studies. He expects to attend Whitman next year.

HINTS FOR FRUIT SHIPPERS.

Agricultural Department to Show How to Pack for Shipment.

Washington.—Representative Hawley has received the following letter from the secretary of agriculture in response to a recent recommendation on behalf of the shippers of apples, pears, peaches, prunes, plums and other fruits grown in Oregon: "Your esteemed fax of the 10th instant is at hand, requesting that a competent man be assigned to Oregon for the purpose of teaching the people of that state how to ship various kinds of perishable fruits. This department is carrying on extensive investigations along this line in different parts of this country, and it has been our desire for some time to extend the work in the extreme Northwest, but up to this time we have not been able to do so. G. Harold Powell, who is in charge of the fruit transportation and storage investigations, is planning to take a trip to Washington and Oregon during the present summer in order to become acquainted with the problems of this nature that need developing in those states. It is Mr. Powell's intention to visit Oregon on this trip.

"It will not be possible to carry on definite investigations in the Northwest during the present summer, but I can assure you that our investigations will be extended to that section just as soon as it can be done."

School Heads to Meet June 28.

Salem.—The annual convention of county school superintendents has been called by J. H. Ackerman, superintendent of public instruction, to meet in his office Monday, June 28. Among the topics to be considered are school supervision, how it may be made more effective; school libraries, how to use them; annual institutes, most important subject to emphasize for all institutes this year; school sanitation, what has been done, what should be done; school board convention, value of, how to conduct.

Southern Gilliam All Right.

Condon.—Weather conditions the past few days have been the best for the grain in the southern end of the county as there have been frequent showers that have helped the grain to fill up. In the northern part of the county there has not been any rain and some of the fields are looking short and it will hardly pay to cut them even for hay. A number of the farmers from Clem north are planning to cut their crop for hay so they will have feed for the winter.

Wasco Threshers Join.

Dufur.—A meeting of the threshermen of Wasco county was held here and a county organization effected. Its name is Wasco County Threshermen's association. G. A. Heath of Wrentnach, was elected president; John Hix, of Kingsley, vice president; E. C. Butler, of Dufur, secretary. The object of the association is to have a uniform price for threshing grain and for labor and to work in connection with the state organization to have laws enacted more favorable to threshermen.

North Bend Mill Not Sold.

Marshfield.—The negotiations of the Nelson Lumber company, of San Francisco, for the purchase of the North Bend Lumber company have not been closed. It is now officially stated. The report that the sale had been made was not without foundation, but the negotiations which have been pending were delayed because of the death of Captain Nelson, of San Francisco, the head of the Nelson Lumber company recently.

Twelfth Grade is Added.

Forest Grove.—By a decisive majority the taxpayers of Forest Grove school district decided to add the 11th and 12th grades to the curriculum of the local high school.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem milling, \$1.30; club, \$1.20; valley, \$1.17.
Corn—Whole, 35¢ per ton; cracked, 33¢.
Oats—No. 1, white, \$41 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$17@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$20 @23.
Fruits—Apples, \$1@2.50 per box; strawberries, \$1.40@1.75 per crate; cherries, 30¢ per pound; gooseberries, 40¢ per pound; currants, 90¢ per pound.
Potatoes—\$1@1.50 per hundred.
Vegetables—Asparagus, 75¢@90¢ per dozen; lettuce, head, 25¢; onions, 12 1/2 @15¢; parsley, 15¢ per dozen; rhubarb, 30¢@3 1/2¢ per pound.
Butter—City creamery, extras, 26 1/2¢; fancy outside creamery, 25¢ @26 1/2¢ per pound; store, 18¢. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2¢ per pound under regular butter prices.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 23 1/2 @24¢ per dozen.
Poultry—Hens, 12 1/2 @13¢ per pound; springs, 16¢@17¢; roosters, 8¢@9¢; ducks, young, 14¢@15¢; geese, young, 11¢@12¢; turkeys, 18¢; squabs, \$2@2.25 per dozen.
Pork—Fancy, 10¢ per pound.
Veal—Extras, 8 1/2 @9¢ per pound; ordinary, 7¢; heavy, 6¢.
Hops—1909 contracts, 15¢ per pound; 1908 crop, 10¢@11¢; 1907 crop, 5¢ @5 1/2¢; 1906 crop, 2¢@2 1/2¢.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16¢@23¢ per pound; valley, fine, 23¢; coarse, 21¢; mohair, choice, 24¢@25¢.
Cattle—Steers, top, \$4.50@4.60; fair to good, \$4.25@4.40; common, \$4@4.15; cows, top, \$3.75@3.85; fair to good, \$3.25@3.50; common to medium, \$2.50@3; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$2.75@3.25; common, \$2@2.50.
Hogs—Best, \$8@8.15; fair to good, \$7.50@7.75; stockers, \$6@6.50; China fats, \$6.75@7.
Sheep—Top wethers, \$4; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, 1/2¢ less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4.15; fair to good, \$3.75@4; spring lambs, \$4.75 @5.25.

AUSTRIA OUSTS STANDARD.

Will Build Reservoirs and Aid Home Refineries to Fight Oil Wars.

Vienna, June 25.—Owing to the decisive intervention of the imperial government, the Standard Oil company's plans for gaining control of the Galician petroleum industry have suffered a final and crushing defeat. The Austrians have withdrawn the contract with the company, which would have placed the American concern in a dominating position in the Galician oil fields, for which it has been striving many years.

The minister of finance has undertaken to build reservoirs and lease them to oil men at rents much less than those demanded by the Standard Oil company. Moreover, home refiners will escape the handicap of heavy rebates on the price of the raw product which under the contract now canceled.

The government expresses a hope that competition will be sharpened through abrogation of the contract, but it is probable that lively fight will follow for export trade, which vitally affects the Standard's position in Germany.

CZAR GETS MONEY.

Compromises With Former Official Who Embezzled \$1,000,000.

Winnipeg, Man., June 25.—The famous case in which the czar of Russia brought action against Ivan Prokrowkoff in the Winnipeg courts for the recovery of a large amount of money was ended today after a year and a half of litigation.

Ivan was a defaulting official in charge of the administration of a province in the trans-Caucasus. He absconded with more than \$1,000,000 years ago, made his way through China and Japan, was purchased large quantities of Oriental goods, and finally reached America, opening stores in San Francisco, Vancouver and Winnipeg.

Anna Seaman, a talented and handsome Russian woman, alleged to be a nihilist, joined him here as his wife, and they kept house in luxurious fashion in a fashionable suburb.

The Russian police eventually traced him to Winnipeg, but when the time came to make his arrest he was missing. His property was attached, and after a long fight, a compromise finally has been reached under which the property and merchandise is to be sold and the proceeds divided between the czar and representatives of the Prokrowkoffs.

SUTRO HEIRS GET MONEY.

Will Giving Vast Estate to Charity is Annulled.

San Francisco, June 25.—The Supreme court invalidated today the will of the late Adolph Sutro and ordered that the large estate, valued at millions, and consisting of the Cliff House ranch in this city and the San Miguel rancho, be distributed among the heirs. The former property is situated along the beach and includes the famous Sutro heights and resorts.

Under the terms of the will the estate was to be held in trust until the last surviving child should die, after which the lands were to be sold and the proceeds given to charitable and educational institutions in this city. The court held that the failure to provide specifically for the distribution of the proceeds of the sale rendered that bequest invalid.

MAY GRAFT ARM ON MAN.

Unique Operation Possible at Billings if Extra Arm Can Be Secured.

Billings, Mont., June 25.—The grafting of an arm from one man to another will take place in a hospital in this city should some unfortunate individual come along from whom the arm may be secured. J. G. Williamson was knocked down and robbed in the railroad yards at Park City several weeks ago. He was thrown beside the tracks and a train came along while he was unconscious and cut off one of his arms just below the elbow. County Physician Miller states that his arm is in good condition for grafting, and if a dying patient should happen along in time to supply the limb the operation will be performed.

Robts State School Fund.

Denver, June 25.—Mark Woodruff, ex-state register of lands of Colorado, was arrested today at Plattville under an indictment charging embezzlement of \$15,000 from the sale of school lands. Woodruff was brought here this afternoon, arraigned in the District court and released under \$2,500 bond. Woodruff declares that he has received no promise of immunity. He refused to go into details as to where he has been since leaving Denver more than two years ago, but stated that he had been employed on various newspapers.

Earthquake in Northern California.

San Francisco, June 25.—Two severe earthquake shocks were felt in Northern California last night, according to reports received here today. No serious damage was done, but the quakes were of sufficient violence to awaken the people of several towns. Vibration in both instances was from north to south. The first shock, which occurred at 11:25 p. m., was of 15 seconds' duration. The second, felt at 11:49 p. m., was brief. The quakes were felt most plainly at Grass Valley and Nevada City.

Gotham Still Swelters.

New York, June 25.—Although the temperature in this city was slightly cooler than yesterday, the humidity was high and therefore conditions were extremely uncomfortable. The highest point reached during the day was 89 above zero. Fifty persons were prostrated by the heat. There were 6 deaths from that cause. The hot wave yesterday was blamed for at least 12 deaths and more than a score of prostrations.

American Bank Opened.

Pekin, June 25.—The Pekin branch of the International Banking corporation, the first American bank in the East to join the group of British, French, German and Japanese institutions in existence here since 1902, was opened here today.

BIDS CALLED FOR ON NATRON ROAD

Harriman to Build 60 Miles of New Line at Once.

Oregon Eastern When Completed Will Be Main Line of Southern Pacific—Start From Both Ends and Balance of Line Will Be Finished in Near Future.

Portland, June 26.—Bids for the construction of 59.48 miles of the Oregon Eastern railroad, projected from Natron to Klamath Falls, will be received in the Southern Pacific offices at San Francisco during the next two weeks. Of that mileage, 34.24 miles will be constructed southeasterly from Natron, while the remaining 25.24 miles will be built in a northwesterly direction from Klamath Falls.

Bids for the construction of the Klamath Falls end of the extension must be submitted on or before June 30. Contractors, however, are allowed until July 10 to submit proposals for building the 34 miles of the track from Natron, the present northern terminus of the projected road. Local Harriman officials will make no estimate of the probable cost of building the two sections of this railroad, but it is believed the improvement will involve an expenditure of approximately \$2,225,000.

The two extensions, aggregating about 60 miles, for which bids have been asked, cover about one-third of the length of the proposed road, which, according to the approved survey, will be 198.6 miles in length from Klamath Falls to Natron.

The action of Harriman in calling for bids for extending this road by beginning work simultaneously at Natron and Klamath Falls is accepted as conclusive evidence of his determination to complete its construction. It is figured that to build the 60 miles of track for which bids have been invited will practically exhaust the appropriation that has been made for this road for the ensuing year. For that reason additional appropriations for further extensions are looked for next year.

There can be no question of the ultimate purpose of Harriman to complete this road between Natron and Klamath Falls. Completion of the extensions for which proposals have been asked cannot in themselves add materially to the value of the property. By extending the road 25 miles northerly from Klamath Falls, the northern terminus of the southern extension would reach only into the heart of Klamath county. The construction of an additional 35 miles southerly from Natron would terminate the road from this end in a mountainous and sparsely settled district.

For these reasons it is patent from a practical business consideration that the Harriman interests will complete the road as soon as possible and place the investment on a revenue-earning basis. The primary purpose in projecting this road was to provide for the Southern Pacific a better grade for crossing the state and thereby avoid the more difficult passage now followed over the Siskiyou mountains. When completed, the Oregon Eastern undoubtedly will become the main line for the Southern Pacific between Portland and San Francisco.

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AID DESTITUTE LABORERS.

Plantation Hands Now in Bay City to Be Returned to Bay City.

Honolulu, June 25.—The territorial board of immigration has decided to bring back here 200 Spaniards and Porto Ricans stranded in San Francisco, and reported to be destitute. It is understood that this is being done at the request of the department of commerce and labor at Washington.

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May Take Clear Title.

Washington, June 26.—Under an order just issued by Secretary Ballinger projects may make full payment for their water rights as soon as they fully comply with the requirements of the law as to residence, cultivation and irrigation. Heretofore final payment for building charges could not be made until five years after water was turned on. This makes it easier for settlers with money to get absolute title to the land, especially settlers who went on the land before water was ready.

Powerful Light Planned.

Victoria, B. C., June 26.—The government steamer Quadra is back from Triangle island, outermost of the Scott group, off the northwest point of Vancouver island, after laying out the site for a lighthouse which will be the most important of North Pacific lights, being designed to be a leading light for trans-Pacific liners. It will be on the highest point of the island, 950 feet above sea level, and visible for over 50 miles. A powerful wireless telegraph station will be established on the island.

Welcomes Jap Cruisers.

Honolulu, June 26.—The training squadron of Admiral Ijichi, composed of the cruisers Aso and Soya, arrived here today. Hundreds of Japanese assembled at the waterfront and gave the vessels an enthusiastic reception. Governor Fear entertained Admiral Ijichi at dinner tonight and the men of the Japanese fleet were given shore liberties during the day and evening. The squadron will remain in the harbor for a