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Government Ready to Pay Reasonable Price on Irrigation Project.

Oregonian News Bureau, Washington, April 9 .- Hydrographer Newell, of the Geological Survey, has directed his field engineers, who are examining the withdrawn lands in Umatilla and Morrow Counties, in the Butter Creek country, to give special attention to all claims of individuals and companies who own or claim to own prior canal rights in that vicinity, and to determine whether or not these rights, if they exist, will interfere with Government reclamation. If the project as a whole proves to be practical, and only these private interests stand in the way, Mr Newell says the Government will be willing to pay the owners a fair amount for their property, but if exorbitant prices are asked the Government will abandon the project altogether and look elsewhere for a site for a Government irrigation system, as it has nothing to lose save the time spent in investigation. There is willingness to pay a fair price for any private property that may be absorbed or utilized by the Government in its irrigation works, but there are so many available sites and so many meritorious and attractive project awaiting attention in various states that no work will be undertaken where attempts are made to hold up the Government.

The engineers have discovered, in the short time they have been on Butter Creek, that the irrigation works attempted in that vicinity years ago by private capital were is already consummated is absurd. not practical. Their promoters contemplated taking the water from Umatilla River and distributing it over the low lands, but no provision was made for storage reservoirs. In as much as the water level in this stream is exceedingly low in the Summer months, when water is necessary for irrigation purposes, their scheme would never have profited anything.

The scheme roughly outlined by the Geological Survey contemplates the construction of storage reservoirs for impounding the flood quired or others. waters of Umatilla River and a number of smaller streams in that locality, and holding it in reserve Violent Form of Smallpox in until the Summer, when it can be distributed as needed. If the investigation and surveys now in progress on Butter Creek are satisfactory, and the project is eventually approved, clear of all obstacles there is money enough in the reclamation fund, savs Nr. Newell, to warrant the prompt letting of contracts.

rights on the Silvies River, in road. and 2. Calls answered any hour engineers will probably pass over of the diversified claims as to ripar. the disease. ian and canal rights.

MERGER A TRUST,

Fight Against Monopoly Won by Government.

of the United States Government reported thus far in Eastern Orein the suit brought against the gon are very severe, and regarded paries, was sustained in the de- action can keep the disease from will take your order, cision handed down in the United causing a number of deaths. States Circuit Court of Appeals in this city today. The case was

originally brought in the United States District Court here, but under a special act of Congress was taken at once to the Court of Appeals, which court was to expedite Agricultural Department Exthe hearing and decision of the case in every manner possible. The taking of testimony in this city and in New York lasted for several weeks, and the arguments in St. Louis before Circuit Judges Caldwell, Sanborn, Thayer and Vandeventer took several days. The de-

cision of the court was written by Judge Thayer, and was filed in this city, where the original action was instituted. An appeal to the United States Supreme Court will be taken immediately. All four Judges concurred in the conclusions of the court, which were stated by Circuit Judge Thaver.

In deciding the Northern Securities case the United States Circuit Court of Appeals holds that :

The merger destroyed competition between the Northern Pacific and Great Northern by destroying the motive for it.

Such a combination would have been a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, if formed by indi-

Acts done by corporations are illegal if the same would have been illegal if done by natural persons. The Securities Company has the

power to suppress competition, and has provided for so doing. The New Jersey charter of the company is no shield against the operation of the law, for the New

Jersey law allows incorporations only "for any lawful purpose. Aside from this restriction, any state law is void so far as it gives powers to violate the anti-trust

The plea that the Government ean do nothing because the merger

Though the plea that the objects and effects of the merger are to confer a public benefit may be true, still the merger is illegal.

The decree forbids the voting of stock in the merged roads by the Northern Securities Company, forbids the railroad companies to submit to any influence of the Securities Company, and orders that the railroad stock held by the Securities Company may be exchanged again for its own stock with the the persons from whom it was ac-

EPIDEMIC SPREADS.

Eastern Oregon. Smallpox of a malignant type is raging through Eastern Oregon says the Oregonian. One death has been reported, and several patients are on the point of death. The disease has spread from Shaniko, its starting point. to the surrounding country, and has now Mr. Newell says that because of asserted itself in The Dalles, Prinethe controversy over the water ville and other points along the

Doctor Woods Hutchinson, state Health Othcer, left last night for that project, for the present at least. the scene of the epidemic to person-Oregon Private capital seems to be doing ally take charge of the operations all that can be expected, in view and if possible to stop the spread of

The smallpox reported in East-St. Paul. April 9.—The position were really smallpox. The cases returning to Portland.

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WILL STUDY THE RANGE Over-Work Weakens

perts to Visit Eastern Oregon

Washington, April 11.-Early in May Dr. David Griffiths, Assistant Agrostologist, of the Department of Agriculture, will go into Eastern Oregon and Washington to take up kidney trouble the study of the range problem, and continue investigations which they had heart trouble, because the heart is he made last year in these two states. His work last year was more in the nature of exploration than experimentation. He discovered that many of the valuable if you are sick you can make no mintake. ranges are being utterly destroyed because of overgrazing by sheep.

The owners of the sheep, in numerous instances, apparently have no sinstances, apparently have no and is sold on its concern for the future and use no discretion in controlling their cent and one-dollar siz-

One of the important works ahead of Dr. Griffiths is to determine, by experimentation, what sort of grasses are best adapted to the several range sections of Eastern Oregon and Washington. wants to find first of all a hardy cattlemen, are responsible for the for only \$1.50. overgrazed condition of the Oregon and Washington ranges. To his mind the responsibility rests altogether with sheepowners.

The work of Dr. Griffiths in with similar work that is to be conducted elsewhere by other representatives of the Department. There is a desire if possible to forming on the range problem to enable Congress to take some action lookerning the use of the public grazing Haines, Harney. lands, as well as a law respecting grazing within forest reservations. When efforts have been made to secure such legislation mation upon which to base intelligent action. It is to supply this information that the department forces have been scattered broadcast for the coming season. The importance of the range problem is realized by tie Agriculture Department, and it is also appreciated that the longer it is neglected the more serious becomes the probbem. Hence the great activity at this time.

Senator Mitchell's Vacation.

Washington, April 9.-Senator ern Oregon is of a different type to Mitchell it tends to leave Washingthat which Oregon has seen for ton on Saturday, to be gone all some years. The cases before have Summer. He will visit his daughbeen of such mild form as to even ter in New York for a few days, raise a questeon among the physi- and then seek out a quiet spot for cians as to whether or not they a month's rest and vacation before

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Mr. D. P. Daugherty, well known throughout Mercer and Summer counties, W. Va., most likely owes his life to the kindness of a neighbor. He was almost hopelessly af-Oregon and Washington is in line flicted with diarrhoea; was attended by two physicians who gave nim little, if any, relief, when a ueighbor learning of his serious condition, brought him a bottle of Chamulate sufficient reliable data bear- berlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which cured him in less than twenty-four hours, For ing to the enactment of a law gov- sale by H. M. Horton, Burns; Ered

ESTRAY.

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