

RECLAIM ARID LAND

Work on Umatilla Project to Start at Once.

APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000

Secretary of Interior Gives Order That Will Make Sand and Sagebrush Land Bloom.

A Washington special says that the secretary of the interior has authorized the reclamation service to proceed immediately with the East Umatilla irrigation project of eastern Oregon, for which \$1,000,000 was set aside from the reclamation fund last fall. The secretary also executed a contract for 10,000 barrels of Portland cement, to be used on the Klamath project, in southern Oregon. Unlike the East Umatilla project, which is to be the irrigation of an arid waste of sand, the Klamath project, for which \$1,500,000 was set aside, is to consist of the draining of two large swamps.

The east Umatilla project embraces 20,000 acres of land. This is not the original project, embracing more than five times that area, but a reduced plan which was within the means at hand for the work.

Under the instructions of the secretary of the interior no further delay will be made in starting the work on the project. As the engineering work of the project is so simple that it will take but a short time to complete it, the troubles of the east Umatilla land owners are nearing their end.

The residents of Echo and the surrounding country in the heart of the area have had a great deal of trouble in getting the project completed. Most of the difficulty arose from the fact that private companies had been formed to reclaim the land. These companies offered the users a lower rate than would be possible if the government took hold of the project and many misunderstandings ensued.

When Mr. Newell, head of the reclamation service, came to Oregon last summer he placed the matter before the people plainly. He showed them that the government would put in permanent cement reservoirs, head-gates and a first-class system throughout, while the private companies for the money they asked could not do so. He explained why the government permanent project would cost more, and finally won the people over to a point where they worked in harmony.

Later the appropriation of \$1,000,000 was made and now instructions have been issued for the starting of the work.

Simple in the extreme is the project which is now to be completed. It consists of a feed canal from the Umatilla river to a big reservoir to be placed at Cold Springs. This reservoir will feed a ditch distributing system which will put 20,000 acres of level sagebrush land under water. This land, while absolutely worthless without quantities of water, has been proven invaluable when properly irrigated.

Oregon Insurance Is Safe.

By virtue of the Oregon statute regulating transaction of business in this state, no policy holder in the Traders' Insurance company of Illinois, will suffer the loss of a cent in premiums or otherwise by reason of the recent insolvency of the company. A. H. Birrell has been appointed receiver of the company in Oregon. The receiver is under \$50,000 bonds. Under the insurance law of the state, all companies desiring to do business in Oregon, are required to make a deposit of funds ample to cover all possible losses in the event of insolvency, plus the amount of unearned premiums to the date of insolvency. The Traders' company has been required to deposit \$50,000 with receiver Birrell who will liquidate all claims presented by policy holders.

Mountain Berries.

Residents of Athena and Weston and surrounding country are much disappointed at the shortage of the strawberry crop on the Weston mountain. For many years the crop has been large there and the berries of the best quality. On account of the continued rainy weather there is almost a failure this season.

Big Shoe Shipment.

Thirty cases is a pretty big shipment for one store in a town of Athena's size to receive. This is the number they are unpacking and placing on the shelves down at the Mosgrove Mercantile store. The brand is Selz, known the world over as a good shoe—none better for the money.

Monument Unveiled.

The beautiful and impressive unveiling ceremonies as given in the ritualistic services of the Women of Woodcraft were most fittingly exemplified by the members of the local Circle Sunday afternoon, at the grave of Mrs. Ollie Bush. A large number of people were present and witnessed the exercises with much interest.

HE QUILTS FRANKLIN COUNTY

Giving One-Third For Rent Don't Pay Turner.

Harry Turner has quit farming in Franklin county, Wash., and yesterday unloaded his combined harvester, which he shipped down from Connell, over the N. P. and W. & C. R.

Mr. Turner will hereafter devote his exclusive attention to farming in this county, where he owns a patch of ground of some consequence, in addition to having a considerable acreage under lease.

Not that Franklin county is not all right, but there is another reason for Mr. Turner quitting that territory as a wheat raiser. He finds that at the present stage the cultivation of the soil is in, conditions must be exactly proper to insure an average yield of 25 bushels per acre, and with this yield, farming Franklin county soil was found by him not a paying proposition after paying one-third of the grain for rent. This is why Mr. Turner leaves Franklin county.

This applies only to the renter. The owners of Franklin county land, who have stock, farming implements etc., are said to be doing very well, and the prospects for crops in that section this year lead to the general prophecy that the yield will go beyond 25 bushels per acre.

Excursion Rates.

The O. R. & N. Co. will sell round trip tickets to any station within 200 miles of Athena for occasion of 4th of July at one and one-third rate. Tickets on sale July 2, 3 and 4. Time limit July 6.

Sues On Note.

Fred Rosenzweig, through Peterson & Peterson, has brought action in Justice Chamberlain's court to collect \$250 alleged to be due from Jane Carden on a promissory note.

The Summer Season.

The O. R. & N. will sell round trip tickets to North Beach points, Ilwaco to Nahantla, inclusive and to Seaside and Clatsop Beach, from Athena for \$13.90. Dates of sale June 15, to August 25, inclusive. Final return limit September 30.

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J. N. B. Gerking is up from La'd-law, Crook county. He says that part of the state has also been soaked with rains. Crops are somewhat late, but look well.

Death From Lockjaw.

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