

## COMING CONVENTION

Chairman of Executive Committee Talks of It.

AT BOISE SEPTEMBER 3 TO 8

Suggests That Umatilla County Send Characteristic Souvenirs, and a Large Delegation.

The National Irrigation Congress which convenes at Boise City September 3 to 8, is interesting all districts of the Northwest. Athena will be represented by Will M. Peterson, who some days ago received his appointment from Governor Chamberlain.

"The people of Pendleton and Umatilla county cannot afford to miss the national irrigation congress which is to be held in Boise in September," said Monte B. Gwinn, chairman of the executive committee, to the East Oregonian.

Not only will prominent public men and irrigators be present from over the United States, according to Mr. Gwinn, but in addition, a party of 15 Washington newspaper correspondents, representatives of all the large dailies in the country, will come in a special car. It was possible to secure the presence of these men through the fact that congress is now adjourned and consequently they may leave Washington for a short time. By reason of their work it is believed that the visit of the journalists will result in much good to the state of Idaho and Boise.

On the first day of the convention Vice President Fairbanks will be the guest of honor, and during the congress, senators congressmen and governors from all of the west and middle west states will be present.

In order to properly entertain the visitors during the convention, Mr. Gwinn says that the people of Boise are preparing a reception that should warm the hearts of those who come. Everything possible will be done for the pleasure and comfort of the delegates, and incidentally the state of Idaho will be advertised to the limit. "Just as a suggestion," said Mr. Gwinn, "I believe it would be a good thing to have some souvenirs for distribution that would be typical of this county. For instance, some of the Moorhouse pictures might be used with a printing on the cards calling the attention of some of the possibilities of irrigation in this county, and especially of the east Umatilla project."

## FREEWATER PINES FOR LIQUOR

By Special Election, Local Option to Be Reopened.

Notices have been posted in Freewater calling a special election to vote upon the question of establishing a saloon there. The move is somewhat of a surprise to those who believe that under the local option law the question had been settled, as at the last two elections the people of the precinct have voted "dry." It appears, however, that the saloonists are not willing that the majority should rule, and will make a fight on a technicality in hopes of finding a loophole whereby their business may be plied.

At the last election a law was passed by the initiative which gives municipalities the right to amend their charters so that the city authorities will have control of the liquor traffic within the city limits, provided such amendment does not conflict with any state law. Of course the proposed amendment is in direct violation of the state local option law, but the friends of the movement believe that they have discovered a means of getting around it. The point upon which they base their hopes has, however, never been passed upon by the supreme court and it is not known just how that body would decide on the matter.

Furthermore, it is contended by those who are opposed to the proposition that Freewater has no charter to amend. Freewater's incorporation was merely a temporary government granted by the county court and to have been ratified later by the legislature, but the question never came up in that body, and it is considered that as a consequence Freewater is not a legal corporation.

There will doubtless be a hot fight over the matter and those interested will probably know more about the law when it is over than they do now.

## TAKES ALL OF THE WATER

Big Flume at Power Plant Leaves the River Bed Dry.

The big flume at the plant of the Northwestern Gas & Electric company on the Walla Walla river, is carrying all the water that comes down the south fork at the present time. For a distance of six miles, the length of the flume, there is scarcely any water in the bed of the river.

Below the power plant, the water

is again turned into the channel of the river and there is about the same amount as generally flows there at this season of the year.

There is sufficient water for all power purposes, and there is an extensive overflow at the reservoir above the power house.

The demand for electric power and service is constantly increasing. The company has leased the Walla Walla-Milton electric railway, work on which is just commencing. The road will require a considerable amount of power transmission. All motive power and that for the light system of the Washington state penitentiary at Walla Walla is now furnished by the Northwestern Gas & Electric company.

The plant has been established but one year and a half, and supplying power for the Walla Walla, Athena Weston and Pendleton, the business the company has built up in this short time is enormous.

Should the increase in business continue in proportion to what it has in the last year, an increase in capacity must necessarily be made.

### An Estate of \$4000.

Joseph Hastings, who lost his life in an accident at the Saling place on Weston Mountain last week, left an estate valued at \$4000. The heir is Melvin Hastings of Kamiah Wash. an only son.

### PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, there has been submitted to the electors of the State at the last general election as required by law an initiative petition for a proposed amendment to Section 1 of article XII of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, to allow the state printing, binding and printer's compensation to be regulated by law at any time, and

Whereas, on the 25th day of June, 1906, the Secretary of State in my presence as Governor of the State of Oregon did canvass the voters given for and against said proposed amendment, and

Whereas, it was ascertained and determined upon such canvass that there were 63,749 votes cast for said proposed amendment to the Constitution, and 9,571 votes cast against the same, and that said proposed amendment received an affirmative majority of the total number of effective votes cast thereon and entitled to be counted under the provision of law,

Now, Therefore, I, George E. Chamberlain, as Governor of the State of Oregon, in obedience to and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by law, do hereby make and issue this proclamation to the people of the State of Oregon and do announce and declare that the whole number of votes cast in the State of Oregon at said election for and against said proposed amendment was as hereinbefore stated, and that said proposed amendment received an affirmative majority of the total number of votes cast thereon and entitled to be counted under provisions of law, and that said amendment hereinbefore mentioned shall and is in full force and effect as a part of the Constitution of the State of Oregon from the date of this proclamation.

Done at the Capitol this 25th day of June, A. D. 1906.

Geo. E. Chamberlain,  
Governor of Oregon.

By the Governor:  
F. I. Dunbar,  
Secretary of State.  
(Seal)

## HORSES ARE DYING

Athena Farmer Loses Two Valuable Work Animals.

TWENTY HEAD AT BAKER CITY

Death of Baker City Horses Said to Be Due Form Foraging on Wild Lettuce Plant.

Henry Wood is in the market for the purchase of a couple of work horses to replace a fine span of work animals which have died within the past few days.

These horses had been working on the harvesting machinery of the Watts-Wood outfit and up to a short time before death, were apparently in normal condition. The first horse took sick and died while on the Kirk place, near town. A day or two afterward, the second horse became sick, and in half an hour was dead.

Mr. Wood says the symptoms in both cases resembled spasmodic colic.

In the Baker City country reports come of a number of horses dying under peculiar circumstances.

At least twenty valuable horses have been lost in that vicinity from the effects of eating Chinese lettuce in the summer fallow fields. The loss has been very severe, coming at this time when farmers need all of their horses for work in the harvest fields. When the animals get warm in the fields after eating of the lettuce they swell up and die in the harness in great agony. One of the signs of this disease is that the bodies of the animals are covered with large colonies.

Among the losers is John Welty, who has lost seven head of horses. George Welty has lost three head and a number of other farmers have also lost valuable animals.

### PRISON FACES HENDRICKS

Oregon Land Fraud Man Convicted On First Ballot.

A jury in Judge Hunt's United States circuit court Saturday at Portland returned a verdict of guilty in the case of Hamilton H. Hendricks, indicted February 8, 1905, in connection with the land frauds in this state. Hendricks was charged specifically with the violation of section 953, revised statutes, with suborning George Hawk to commit perjury in giving testimony before a grand jury connecting with Hawk's homestead entry, and accusing Hendricks of a similar offense in the matter of the homestead entry of Clyde Brown.

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