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Bladstreet and Dunn best fortune tellers. In marriage partnership, man always silent partner.

A German Mobilization? (From the Fort Daly, Ill., Chronicle.) Ray Cain of the roadmaster's office of the I. C. and John Keary of the signal and road department, both Irish, attended Sauerkraut day at Ackley yesterday.

A Human-Nature Gnat. There is a Lazy Thought which wings Around my head and hums; "Although I like to work at things I'm glad when Sunday comes."

A Pertinent Question. The Fond Mother—Nice girls never put themselves forward before the men. The Wise Daughter—Then how do the men find out that they're nice?

War as the Baseball Fan Sees It. Bulgaria—A good player all the managers are after, but who still waits for higher salary.

A Bid for Fame (From the Webb City, Mo., Register.) Both are well known having been born, reared and educated in the public schools of this city.

Stella's Bargain Counter Many college youths would like to go in for aviation—managing an airship.

At the Dog Show A dog show is a bad place to discuss secrets—too many tail-bearers around.

Two French Aviators Killed by Own Bombs GENEVA, Sept. 10.—Two French aviators were killed at Deylingen, Alsace, when their machine struck barbed wire entanglements as they were making a landing, causing the explosion of bombs aboard the aeroplanes.

INSULTING THE UNITED STATES

PRESIDENT WILSON has requested Austria to recall her ambassador to the United States, Dr. Dumba, for interfering in the internal relations of the nation by conspiring to cripple legitimate industries, "a flagrant violation of diplomatic propriety."

Dr. Dumba served notice upon all Austrians employed in factories making supplies for the allies that if they did not quit work they would be guilty of treason and subject of twenty years' imprisonment or hanging.

Austria furnished money for the use by Dr. Dumba, for corruption of labor leaders, for the inciting of strikes and attempts to supplant American law in America by Austrian law, because the United States has followed historic precedent and permitted the shipment of supplies to belligerents regardless of nationality.

Not Dr. Dumba, but Austria, is to blame if the envoy was merely carrying out instructions of his government, as he asserts. His recall may offer a way out of the tangle by making him the "goat" and prevent a serious breach between the nations, but it does not excuse or palliate Austrian arrogance.

But Dr. Dumba's admitted activities are not a bit more reasonable than the actions of the German embassy in interfering in the domestic relations of the United States by conducting an extensive pro-German propaganda in endeavoring to influence by corruption public opinion, in assailing the American government, in destroying munition factories, financing strikes, crippling industry, creating discord and fomenting disloyalty among naturalized Americans.

The war-mad monarchs of Europe seem to think their divine right to rule extends over the world and that American citizens are their serfs and the United States a vassal. Otherwise they would not attempt to dictate the policy desired in a foreign nation.

The actions of both Austria and Germany constitute an invasion of American rights and an insult to the nation. "Germany over all" does not yet include the United States.

FREEDOM OF THE SEA AND LAND

AMONG the peace proposals offered by Germany is the following: An international agreement on the freedom of the seas guaranteeing private property at sea immune from attack by naval forces.

Freedom of the sea sounds fine, but freedom of the land is a great deal more important.

Only comparatively few live on the sea, while hundreds of millions inhabit the land. The freedom of the hundreds of millions to the land they utilize is of far more concern to humanity than the freedom of the sea.

It would be a fine thing for a military-mad nation like Germany to have the world guarantee its freedom on the sea while it overran the land with its armies—the ships of its private citizens maintaining its commerce and feeding it.

When the land is free from invasion by the conqueror, when it becomes impossible to seize and dismember a Poland, to grab and tyrannize a Finland, to devastate and annex a Belgium, to invade and destroy a Transvaal republic, it will be time to talk freedom of the sea.

But even freedom from invading tyranny does not spell freedom of the land. The land of Hungary, of Galicia, of many other European countries is in the hands of an infinitesimal portion of the population—owned by the crown or a worthless parasite nobility. Even in our own country land monopoly and the withdrawal of land from use is one of the fundamental causes of the poverty of the masses.

CROP PROSPECT OF NATION IMPROVING

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—A supplementary analysis of crop conditions in the United States on Sept. 1, announced today by the department of agriculture indicated a slight improvement in prospects during the last month. The composite condition of all crops was 5.5 per cent above their ten year average, compared with a condition of 3.8 per cent above that average on August 1.

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INTERURBAN AUTO CAR CO. Time Table Leave Medford daily except Sunday for Ashland, Talent and Phoenix at 8 a. m., 1:15, 3:30 and 5:15 and 10:15 p. m. (Saturday at 11:15 p. m.) Sunday leave at 8:00 and 11:00 a. m., 1:00, 5:00 and 9:30 p. m.

ARBITRATION ENDS ALBANY TROLLEY STRIKE

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 10.—The strike on the United Traction company lines which has tied up all city traffic in Albany, Troy, Cohoes, Watervliet and Green Island since Monday, was settled early today. Cars resumed operations on all lines.

The disputed point—whether the agreement between the company and its employees permits the discipline of motormen and conductors by either the general superintendent or division superintendents—will be decided by a board of arbitration on October 1.

ENTENTE HAS REJECTED OFFER OF SERBIA

SOFIA, Sept. 10.—It has become known here that Serbia's reply to the entente powers regarding Bulgaria's claim on Serbia is unsatisfactory to the entente powers. Although it is alleged that Serbia granted the demands of Bulgaria the Serbian note proposes a modus vivendi for carrying out a settlement which it is felt by the entente governments, Bulgaria would not accept. The entente powers, therefore, it is reported, have referred back Serbia's reply.

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DISTRICT PLAN FOR IRRIGATION IN OPERATION IN STATE

BY O. LAURGAARD, Irrigation Engineer in Oregon Voter. The irrigation district is an outgrowth of the municipal idea, and when fully organized, constitutes a legal subdivision of the state with full power of self government and control in all matters which pertain to irrigation, power and domestic water supply and other general purposes.

By judicial construction and as interpreted by the courts, these districts are now held to be municipal corporations and are treated in a similar manner with school districts, incorporated towns, counties and other public municipal corporations. The legal authorities on water rights and irrigation observe and maintain that the Irrigation District Laws are now promulgated and in actual use, are, in theory, the most perfect of the irrigation laws in common practice.

Gaining in Favor The irrigation district idea has been gaining in favor for the past few years, principally on account of the failure of the Carey Act and loss of confidence in private irrigation enterprises by the investing public.

The district laws have been modified and improved to include the fundamental principles of law, such as:

- (1) Providing of security for the necessary construction and maintenance of a project; and, (2) For the management, through certain legal channels of the municipal corporation.

Thorough Investigation No project, however, will be a success unless it is considered and investigated from not only an engineering and financial standpoint, but the agricultural possibilities must also receive due consideration.

The engineering difficulties and requirements together with the construction and maintenance cost must be very closely investigated, and the character of the land, the source of water supply and quantity, the value of the land and the form of title under which it is held must be considered as well.

Operating Expenses After a project has been successfully constructed and placed in operation, the actual management of the system, the interest on the bonds and all other actual expenses are paid by annual assessments which are prorated to the land owners according to the benefits received.

Plan a Sound One The general plan and theory of the irrigation district law is a sound one, and wherever they have been tested, they have been upheld by the courts in almost all essential features. The bonds issued by the districts are also sound as security, and not open to question where the regularity and validity of the acts of the district and the issue of the bonds have been confirmed by the courts, under proceedings brought for that purpose.

The irrigation district laws of Oregon and Washington are now so modified that they are satisfactory to the officials of the reclamation service and the department of the interior, who, at the present time, are willing to accept district bonds in certain localities in payment for water from government reservoirs built with government funds.

On account of their splendid security, the prices for which district bonds may be sold have been limited by law to ninety per cent of their par value, but on projects which have been constructed and are now in operation, the bonds are negotiated at a figure very near par.

Carey Act Projects There are several features presented by the irrigation district laws which are more favorable to the successful operation of the farmer than those under projects built by private corporations, under the Carey Act, or by the United States reclamation service.

Provided the interest or assessments on the land are paid when due, no residence or cultivation limitations are imposed; lands as a rule, are held in private ownership, so the

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HEIRESS TO MILLIONS TO BE FALL BRIDE



Alice Cudahy

Miss Alice Cudahy, granddaughter of the late Michael Cudahy, millionaire pork packer, is to be an autumn bride. Her marriage to Vaughan Spaulding will be one of the social events of the late fall.

success of the project is not dependent on the sale of the land; the cost of the water is prorated according to the benefits received; and, in contrast to the projects built under private enterprises or under the Carey Act, the cost of the irrigation system need not be paid until after the expiration of at least ten years, provided the interest is paid when due.

The irrigation district laws are very similar to those governing the drainage district of the southern states along the Mississippi river.

The bonds issued by these drainage districts have a ready market in the financial circles of the east, and are easily sold above par.

This condition should also exist with the irrigation district bonds after their worthiness has been demonstrated and the irrigation business placed on the substantial footing which it deserves.

Under certain conditions it would appear feasible and attractive for large contractors to build irrigation district projects and accept bonds as payment.

When the assessed valuation of the district closely approximates the amount of the bond issue, it would seem that there should be no great difficulty for a large contractor to hypothecate the bonds with his bank or financial institution, as collateral, to secure sufficient funds to carry on the work.

Furthermore, when the proposed works have been estimated on a conservative basis, it is believed that a comparatively small proportion of the par value of the bonds would be sufficient to build the project when such items as discount on the bonds, contractor's profit, contingencies, plant charges, etc., are eliminated from the amounts necessary for construction, and when these items are fully provided for to the contractor in the final payment, with bonds.

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SPALDING, FATHER OF BASEBALL, IS DEAD IN CALIFORNIA

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—A. G. Spalding, who died in San Diego, Cal., last night, gave up a \$5 a week job in a grocery to become identified with baseball and was perhaps better known to the sport than any other man. To veterans of the game he was known as the "father of baseball." He became famous as a pitcher, one of the first to use the underhand delivery, and later became manager of clubs. Mr. Spalding always used his influence to place the game on a higher plane.

With his parents he moved from Byron, Ill., his birth place, to Rockford, in 1863. He soon learned he could make money playing ball and joined the Forest City club of Rockford which made a reputation for itself when it defeated the National club of Washington in 1867.

Four years later Mr. Spalding joined the famous Boston Red Stockings and pitched the club to pennant victory in the races of the National Professional association in 1872-73-74-75. His longest connection with active baseball playing was with the Chicago club which he joined in 1876. He was successively its manager, secretary and president until 1891.

For years he had cherished the idea that the sport might be popularized in England and in the winter of 1874 after the tour of the famous Baltimore Orioles he went to Europe. Everywhere he was received enthusiastically. In 1888 and 1889 he managed the first world tour of the Chicago and All-American Baseball teams.

In 1875 Mr. Spalding became interested in the manufacture of sporting goods and started a small shop in New Haven, Conn., with a capital of only \$800. The business grew and formed the nucleus around which the present house of Spalding was built.

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