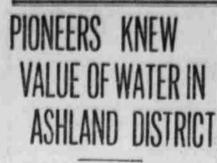
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By W. W. WATSON.

During the past two months I have made special inquiry of many of those who now cultivate the old places in the Ashland discrict, owned and operated in the pioneer days by the fathers of some of those one operate them today, as to how much it would reduce the value of their acreages to be deprived of irrigation -having reference to the pioneer water rights sequired when some of them sere donation claims, dating back, in some instances, more than half a contury. These men were approached on this matter because they, the major shape of its bank stocks. They own the fine homes, the thoroughbred livestoek, the big automo-biles and the choicest poultry. They have the fine orchards, vineyards and have the fine orchards, vineyards and gardens, the attractive lawns, hedged with roses and fleecily fleeked with flowers. In short, they have the homes of comfort and enjoy whatever luxury taste and whim may suggest.

It Brought Them Wealth.

Substantially, it may be said, these old claims were taken originally because they were located on mountain garden use and, finally, for the and the south. bronder acreage brought under protime, perhaps, before they needed to men. apply artificial irrigation, but when the crops appeared to need the moisture they had the field laterals ready for its conveyance to any part of the ranch. Thus they succeeded. Abundaut yields of grains were obtained great crops of grasses for pasture and hay; bountiful gardens londed with succulents both for the household and the harnyard; fat hogs and poultry; well-rounded steers, contented mileh cows with their generous daily contribution for the family table and the pig trough and spirited

horses, the pride of the highways. Profit on Irrigation These properties seemed to need



A William Fox masterpiece at the believes in absolute realism upon the Page tonight. "The Little Gypsy" sereon and consumed weeks of valuare the rich and well-to-do men of employs the services of hundreds of able time searching for types that that section today and have been people, a veritable army, in fact, and tion of the scores of minor characfor many years. They largely own the scenic effects are wonderful in ters that lend atmosphere and color their realism and beauty. Mr. Apfel to "The Little Gypsy."

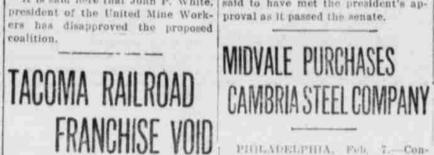


NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- Labor leaders here say that a movement is un- ministration's legislative program The answers to my question were der way to bring about concerted ac- particularly nationalp reparedness, practically the same in every case, tion of members of the four great and the Lusitania case, gave promise unions of railway employes and of today of occupling much of Presithe United Mine Workers in their dont Wilson's attention during the

demands for increased wages or week. streams at the points at which the shorter working days. It is stated The president has engagements to latter emerge from the rugged can- that if this plan were put into effect confer with many senators and repyons upon the plain of the valley. It would bring about combined action resentatives in furtherance of his ef-These streams promised an abundant by 730,000 men and affect the min- forts to expedite the work of consupply of water for stock and for ing fields of Pennsylvania, Colorado gress on the army and navy bills.

The Philippine bill, already passed The movement is said to have the by the senate was up for discussion ductive tillage in field crops. On the approval of W. S. Carter, president of at a conference today between the water thus supplied the old-time the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engl- president and Chairman Jones of the farmers depended for erop susten- neers and Firemen, and W. G. Lee of house insular committee. It is said ance. It was well along in summer the Brotherhood of Railway Train- that efforts will be made in the house to amend the bill. The measure is

It is said here that John P. White, said to have met the president's appresident of the United Mine Work- proval as it passed the senate. ers has disapproved the proposed



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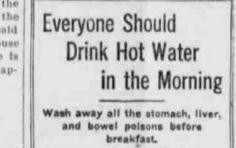
By GILSON GARDNER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 .- It has been thirteen months since the United States suprema court heard arguments by Louis D. Brandeis on the Oregon minimum wage case. There is a romor that the court is deadlocked 4 to 4; half the judges being in the intellectual period of the stone age, while the other half have reached a comparatively modern viewpoint.

The white house should be absolved from any responsibility for the mention of William Howard Taft in connection with the supreme court vacancy. Mr. Taft wants more than anything else in the world to be a member of the supreme court, and whenever a vacancy occurs in that; sourt his press agents fill the papers with encomiums and kind words. about his judicial qualifications, As a matter of fact, in the opinion of some of the president's closest advisers, Mr. Taft is not sufficiently enlightened as to modern economic problems to be qualified for a position in this court.

The movement to secure a tariff commission recalls the fact that there was a tariff board in 1911 and 1912, WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 .- The ad- created by the Payne-Aldrich law, which made certain investigations and recommendations to congress during its existence. These recommendations were for the most part studionsly disregarded by congress in the hills passed and vetoed by President Taft. Congress never has been willing to surrender to any tariff board authority to determine tariff schedules,

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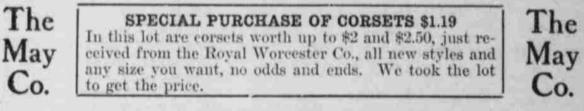




plate without much effort on the Power company was unheld today by part of the pioneer formers. They worked, to be sure, and worked valiantly, many of them courageously, holding of the federal district court, for in some cases native brush had to he cleared away for additional areas Colony Trust company. of Massafor field and mendow. But they appeared to have no nightmare of worry, such as we find today on the later areas of cultivation. They had no thought of erop failure. Carelessness in the matter of irrigation awas the only thing that produced it, if their lands were well plowed and seeded. They raised more profitable produce on a few acres than out farmers do now on broad areas. And nulled those same farms, cultivated for half a century, are richer in soil constituents of productive value today than they were when first touched by the steel of agriculture. As the eminent Widtsoe said, irrigation has preserved their fertility and made them stronger and more arable.

Finally, the fortunately located areas just below the "mouth of the canyon" were all taken as donation claims or homestends. Those who followed the trail of these courageous pioneers and found this Eldorado the straggling "dry farmer," how can -it was the lure of gold that the latter overlook the fact that the brought them first-found rich-looking valley lands on which to build the temporary habitat.

Water Wah Accordary.

The abundant sardens and vineyards and fields of heavy yields betokened an Eden of richness in soil and climate. Most of them came from states in which irrigation was unknown; Experience land not taught them the daagers of senti-and climates in the farming Susiness. Nov

climates in the farming maximess. Not had it taught them the value of water for artificial application in the ab-sense of rain. Besides, it rained o more in this valley in those years than it does now. Official records show that our annual rainfall is gradually defining in measurement. So, years ago, begin the "dry-farm-ing" experiences in this valley. Fair o more in the valley in those years ing" experiences in this valley. Fair is weakened. d. When weaks or visiting the Nature intends shall be be left in the system, it is the hold and beau, pim-billing and other states when supress. yields of grain and other common field crops were obtained for many o years; but they were growing less all

appear to the circulation and atting of blood taint or impacter. All skin disthe time. The decline was marked 1 (B) from year to year until the delingequent tax list shows the result.

How many names of those farmers whose lands have been irrighted for years are found on the delinquent tax and for their deepeneeried to list? When looking them up, if you is to be required and will refer to the association for old inrabe write Swift.

Aunouncement to this effect was the United States circuit court of apmade today by W. H. Donner, president of the Cambria company. peaks in a decision affirming the The ense was appealed by the Old FEDERAL LEAGUE BASEBALL chusetis, trustee for bondholders. The federal courts sustained the de-CHICAGO, Feb. 7.- The suit of the cision of the state courts because the Federal lengue against organized company violated an agreement not baseball filed a year ago under the to sell electricity for lighting. anti-trust law, was dominated today The city of Tacoma gave up a perby Judge K. M. Landis in the United

coalition.

mit for lighting service in 1908 which States district court. it revolved in 1913. Upon the company's refusal to discontinue the WM, FOX MASTERPIECE franchise, granted in 1905, it was an-

stend of the delinquent tax list, you will find most of them the heaviest PAGE taxpayers in the county.

With these official records as full evidence of the value of irrigation; with the hig men of the county, those of them who are yet in active life, as living testimonies of its bounty; with fields and orchards in favored areas, where water is obtainable, appealing with bad and bloom and heavy harvest to the intelligence of baking should ask for solution of his home problem lies in **Rogue Spray Flour** getting water on his land at. the earliest possible moment?

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