

# WATER DOUBLED VALUE OF LAND ASSERTS BEAL

### Tyson Beal of Central Point Increased His Alfalfa Yield \$50 an Acre Through Irrigation and Would Not Now Consider Farming Without Water—Story of Increase.

An ardent advocate of irrigation is Tyson Beal, whose ranch lies in the Central Point district. A part of Mr. Beal's land was brought under irrigation during the 1916 season and the results were so favorable that arrangements have already been made to bring an additional 20 acres under water during the 1917 season. This land will be devoted to the raising of sugar beets.

The water was applied this past season to a ten acre field of alfalfa, the use of water increasing the yield 120 per cent.

Without water the average yield from this field has been 3 tons to the acre with three cuttings. With or without water the first cutting ran about the same. Without water the second cutting shrunk one half while the third cutting was almost nil.

With the application of water the yield was increased to 7 tons to the acre. The second cutting was almost as heavy as the first while the third crop was sold in the field for \$211. After the third crop was removed, the alfalfa reached a height of from 8 to 10 inches before stock was turned in to pasture it down.

The land on which this crop was raised is heavy black bottom land. When the first application of water was made the ground was full of deep cracks which the water filled in. One other application was made following the second cutting.

If the 1917 season is as favorable as that of 1916, Mr. Beal stated, he will make a fourth cutting which will bring the yield per acre up to 8 or 8 1/2 tons.

Figuring alfalfa as selling at \$19 per ton the gains made by Mr. Beal by using water are as follows: Gain per acre, 4 tons or \$49, an amount sufficient to pay for the water right in one season; gain for the ten acre field, 40 tons or \$400. In addition to this the pasturage after the third crop must be added. This amounted to the equivalent of one ton of hay to the acre, bringing the total gain from the use of water to \$50 per acre.

"I am so strongly in favor of the use of irrigation," stated Mr. Beal after recounting the gains made in his crops, "that I would not consider farming without it. I believe that the value of my farm land has been at least doubled by bringing it under irrigation."

## ITALY SPURNS PROPOSAL

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### Lack of Sincerity.

"I do not desire to use exaggerated language, but the accent of boastfulness and the lack of sincerity which characterizes the preamble of the enemy's note certainly inspire no belief that these mysterious peace conditions which the central empire announce they have the intention of exposing later on, with the object of guaranteeing the existence, honor and free development of their peoples, do constitute an answer to the postulates we have laid down."

Baron Sonnino appealed to the deputies of all parties in the words of Premier Briand of France, not to permit the move of the central powers to "poison the minds of the people," and to urge them to refrain from "playing the enemy's game," by giving way to rash or untimely manifestations which might implant the germ of division and discouragement. He asked them not to vote any order of the day which might let it be supposed that the attitude of Italy differed from that of her allies.

Amid an outburst of cheering for Baron Sonnino the chamber voted the order of the day pure and simple, implying confidence in the government and further ordered that the foreign minister's speech be placarded throughout Italy. The vote on the order of the day was 276 to 49.

## STONE OF MISSOURI FOR FEDERAL JUDGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Judge Kimbrough Stone of St. Louis, son of Senator Stone, has been selected by President Wilson for nomination as United States circuit judge in the eighth circuit, succeeding Judge Elmer B. Adams.

# TWO IRRIGATION DISTRICTS PLANNED ALONG ROGUE RIVER

Irrigation of several thousand acres of land on the south side of the Rogue river, between Gold Hill and the mouth of the Applegate river, is to be accomplished through district organization. Two districts are to be organized, one including the territory in Jackson county, the other that in Josephine county. The Jackson county district is already well along in formation. The Josephine county portion of the district proposes use of the extension of the Jackson county ditch.

A meeting of the property owners having holdings under the Josephine county portion of the district was held at Grants Pass Saturday, and it was decided to proceed with arrangements in the hope that the ditches can be built and water ready for the crops of the coming season.

The canal to serve both portions of the district will be about 25 miles long. The water will be taken from the Rogue river near Gold Hill, and all the district will be served by gravity. The ditch will cover about 10,000 acres of flat lands adjoining Grants Pass along the Rogue. It is estimated that it will cost about \$25 an acre to bring the water over the district. The construction of these ditches will make available a large acreage suitable for beet culture adjacent to the Grants Pass sugar factory.

## CROWD HEARS PREMIER

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service in distant countries, made efforts to secure a seat or standing room, while for the public and private galleries the tickets were long ago exhausted.

When the house assembled, every seat on the floor and in the galleries was filled. The diplomatic representatives of Great Britain's allies occupied seats in the gallery for distinguished strangers. On the benches reserved for lords were members of the upper house, who took a prominent part in bringing about the recent change of government. Among them were Lords Northcliffe, Reading, Burnham, Islington and Pirrie. There was also a scattering of Dominion ministers, including Premier Massey and former Premier Ward of New Zealand.

### Cheered Enthusiastically

When the premier entered the house just before noon he was cheered enthusiastically from all quarters. Former Premier Asquith, who entered a moment later, also was cheered vociferously by liberals.

Sir William Robertson, chief of the imperial staff at army headquarters, dressed in khaki, was in the gallery.

### In House of Lords.

Lord Curzon, presenting the new

# MEDFORD BAND'S FIRST CONCERT AT NAT THIS EVENING

The first concert of the winter series to be given by the Medford band will take place at the Nat tonight, commencing at 8. The stage has been enlarged and remodelled to accommodate the large Medford band. The Medford boys' band is to make its first appearance at the entertainment, which is expected to be a big surprise to the audience. There will be a total of almost seventy musicians taking part in this evening's program, which is as follows:

March, "Lake Front" (Vandercook); overture, "Tancredi" (Rossini); solo, "Foreado Song from Carmen" (Bizet); George Andrews; descriptive patrol, "Dublin Bay" (Lampe); selection (Selected), Medford Choral Society quartet; gavotte, "Dainty Dear" (Barbouse); Medford boys' band; violin solo, "Mazurka di Concert" (Musini); Edward Charles Root; baritone solo, "Kentucky Home," air varie (Malloy); Master Irvine Terrell; selection, "Il Trovatore" (Verdi); solo, "Essemezzo" ("Martha" (Flotow); Miss Geraldine Theiss; march, "Manhattan Beach" (Souza); "America" Accompanists, Mrs. George Andrews, Fred A. Haight.

## \$170,000 TO HEAL HER BROKEN HEART

PITTSBURG, Dec. 19.—Miss Nettie Richardson, aged 19, former cashier in a Pittsburg hotel, was today awarded a verdict of \$170,000 in her suit for \$500,000 for breach of promise against Henry Deniston, aged 78, millionaire recluse of Swissvale, a suburb.

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