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SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1908.

For President: Taft and Sherman!

CITIZENS AND WATER USERS, DO NOT DELAY.

WE have it on unimpeachable authority that the officers of the
 Columbia Southern irrigating company have made a proposal
 to plaintiffs in the suit against the company that said suit be postponed
 until January 1, 1909. The company promises, if this be
 done, to interest Chicago capital and proceed with the work under
 its more or less dog-eat-dog contract with the state of Oregon to
 improve this segregation. The company further agrees that should
 its officers be unable to interest the Chicago capital aforesaid, it
 will enter into an agreement with the settlers and water users to
 waive all its rights in the action and to not contest the suit after
 the date of postponement is passed in January. In other words, the
 company asseverates its intention to either interest Chicago capital
 in the segregation enterprise or to allow a decree to be entered
 against it by the court.

Plausible, isn't it? Very honest, unduly honest, on its face!
 But it smells like the proverbial nigger in the woodpile.
 Why? Let us see:
 The statute of limitations, by January 1, 1909, will probably help
 Mr. W. A. Laidlaw to escape certain responsibilities, though we
 can't say how much.

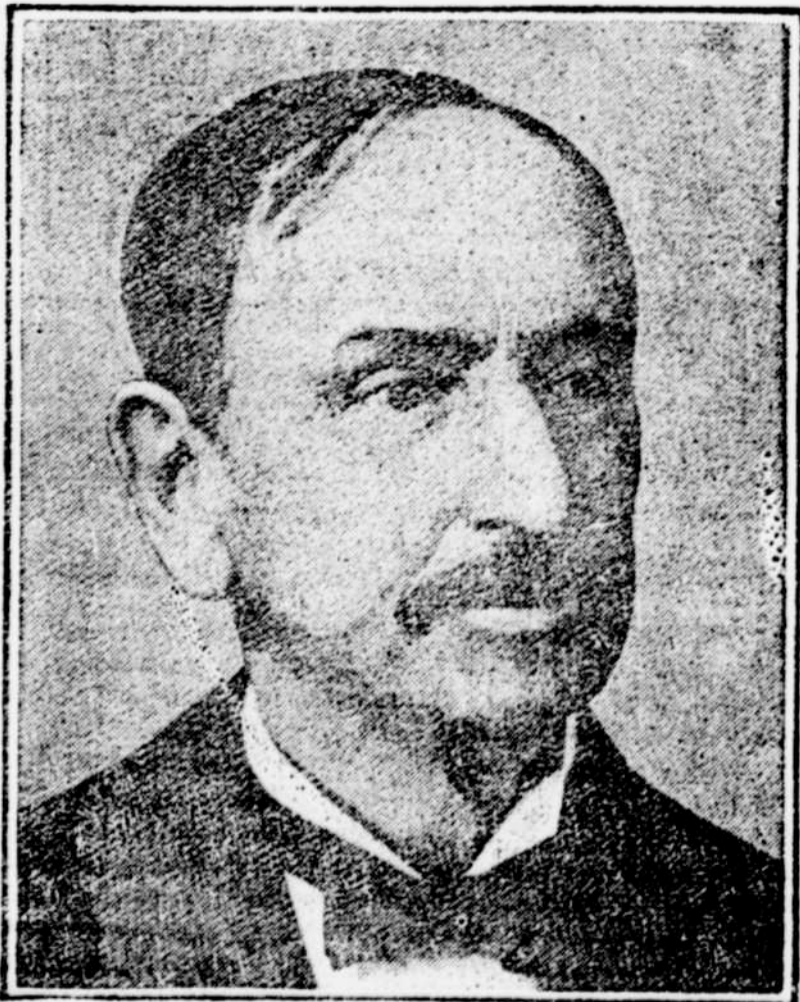
January 1, 1909, Gov. Chamberlain will go out of office, and Gov.
 Benson will go in. We know Chamberlain's fairness in the matter,
 but Benson's attitude as chairman of the state land board is un-
 known.

January 1, 1909, State Engineer Lewis will go out of office. He
 may be re-appointed by the new governor, and he may not. Should
 a pliant state engineer be appointed to succeed Lewis, all of we
 bamboozled settlers would have to take to the tall timber.

No one wants to give up the fight!
 A suggestion, a command, a duty—Let every citizen in the Laid-
 law segregation immediately write two letters; one to Attorney
 General Crawford, one to the State Land Board. Kick, and kick
 hard, gentlemen, against any further postponement of this suit.
 Flood the officials in Salem with your letters, and make them good
 and strong!

We can't afford to let that nigger escape. We must stand by our
 homes and our families.

Kick, and kick hard, gentlemen. Do it today! Write those two
 letters, and do it NOW.



THEODORE E. BURTON.

Mr. Burton, the staunch friend and nominator of Mr. Taft, admits the
 secretary of war above any other statesman now living. They have long been
 political associates, and, while Mr. Burton is not in sympathy with all the
 Roosevelt policies, he is in hearty accord with such of those policies as he
 believes Mr. Taft favors. He has confidence in the conservatism of his friend
 and is outspoken in his belief that the election of Taft will cause an im-
 mediate return to the prosperity that many in the party charge the president's
 aggressiveness to halting.

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 m., Christian Endeavor 7:30 p. m. every Sun-
 day. Prayer meetings every Monday evening
 at 7:30 o'clock.

Redmond.
 First Methodist Episcopal church, Redmond
 Oregon, Rev. C. L. Lowther, of Culver, Ore.,
 pastor. Preaching services, second and fourth
 Sundays, at 11 a. m.

Gist.
 Services at school house, Gist, Oregon, Rev.
 C. L. Lowther, circuit pastor of the M. E.
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