

SINNOTT STARTS LAND BILL THRU CONGRESS

Measures for Relief of Settlers in This State Proposed—Circulars on Farm Loans May be Secured.

Washington, D. C. February 5. (Special) Congressman N. J. Sinnott of Oregon has been successful in the first step towards passage of each of his twin bills for permitting entry on reclamation and power site withdrawals subject to the right of the government to retake the lands or such parts thereof as it may later be necessary to use for the purposes for which originally withdrawn.

In his report on H. R. 7632, providing for a homestead entry on water power sites the congressman called attention to the desirability of giving relief to hundreds of settlers throughout the country who had entered upon lands in good faith when the records of the local land office did not at the time of entry show the withdrawals.

In commenting on Section Ten of the Ferris Water Power bill which covers substantially the same ground as the Sinnott bill Secretary Lane said:

"Section 10 of the bill is also important, in that it will permit in many instances a dual use of the land, or a part thereof, providing that the Secretary of the Interior may in his discretion, allow entries or claims under appropriate land laws for areas reserved for water power sites where the water power development will not be injured thereby. There are many cases where the dam, reservoir, or conduit will occupy only a part of a legal subdivision, and this will permit the agricultural use of the balance. There are other cases where there is now timber upon the surface, which may be disposed of under appropriate laws, cut, and removed before the land is required or utilized for power purposes."

The report on H. R. 17935, permitting homestead and desert land entries on land withdrawn for reclamation purposes endorses such bill for similar reasons.

Realizing that the passage of these twin bills will be of great benefit to many parts of his district, while in no way restricting the ultimate development of any of its resources, Congressman Sinnott will use every effort to get action on them as soon as possible. Owing to the congested condition of the House calendar and the short time remaining before adjournment it is doubtful, however, if they can be reached during the present session of Congress.

Land Office Instructions Issued. The General Land Office has just issued a 20 page circular (No. 523) giving full instructions to Registers and Receivers as to how to proceed under the Ferris 640 acre grazing homestead law, approved December 29, 1916. A copy of this circular may be obtained by writing Congressman Sinnott.

Farm Loan Circular Now Out. The Department of Agriculture has just issued as Farmers' Bulletin No. 793 a circular entitled "How the Federal Farm Loan Act Benefits the Farmer." This not only gives the disadvantages of the present system, and advantages claimed for the new Federal land-bank system but outlines who may obtain loans, how to organize a local association and other useful information. Congressman Sinnott will get a copy of the same to any constituent requesting him therefor.

ONTARIO TO HEAR DECLAMATORY CONTEST

The annual declamatory contest for the pupils of Malheur county schools is to be held this year in Ontario. The contest will take place March 31 and in each of the grades the pupils are now training for the

preliminary contest to determine who will represent Ontario. Miss Fay Clark, county superintendent of schools gives the following rules for the contest:

1. All contests shall be held under the auspices and direction of an executive committee, consisting of the county superintendent, the city superintendents of the three largest schools of the county and one teacher appointed annually by the county superintendent.

2. The county superintendent shall be ex-officio chairman of the committee and shall preside at the contests.

3. One contest shall be held annually on the last Saturday of March, in rotation, in Vale, Nyssa and Ontario.

4. Contestants must be sixth, seventh or eighth grade pupils, and any school district in Malheur County, having pupils eligible under these rules, may enter one contestant.

5. Each school shall pay the expenses of its representative. For the purpose of raising funds to defray the expenses of contests, and to arouse an interest in declamatory work, it is recommended that try-out contests be held to select a contestant and an alternate.

6. The time for delivery of a declamation shall not exceed eleven minutes.

7. The audience shall not applaud or manifest its approval or disapproval of any speaker.

8. Any school wishing to enter a candidate shall report to the county superintendent not less than one week prior to the contests, the number of the district, the name and grade of the pupil, and the title of the selection to be spoken.

9. Contestants shall appear on the program by number, and the order of speaking shall be determined by lot. Precaution must be taken to keep the identity of the speakers from the judges.

10. The judges shall be selected as follows: The superintendent of the school where the contest is to be held shall select three persons from a list of names selected by the remaining members of the executive committee, each of whom shall submit two names not later than March 1. The judges shall not be residents of Malheur County.

11. The following scale shall be used in marking: Interpretation—40 Naturalness—30 Elocution—15 Memory—15

12. An agreement of two of the judges shall be sufficient to render a decision. In case two of them cannot agree, the decision shall be rendered in favor of the one having the highest total of the three judges.

13. The school entertaining the contest shall arrange the program, providing such numbers as will give variety to the entertainment. They shall be entitled to the proceeds after paying expenses. The price of admission shall not exceed 25 cents.

14. The trophy, a silver cup, shall remain in custody of the winning school until the next contest.

15. Districts having a four-year high school may be represented only once by any one pupil. In all other districts contestants may enter again provided they are eligible under these rules and did not win the cup in former contests.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

Rupert Parks of Weiser had a slight operation performed on Saturday and he is doing nicely.

C. Oxman of Jamieson was a patient at the hospital for a few days last week.

Mrs. Bert Sloan of Parma was operated upon last week.

Mrs. H. A. Morrow was able to leave the hospital Tuesday for her home in Ontario.

Mrs. O. C. Chelifee of Weiser was operated upon last week and expects to be able to return to her home in a few days.

Mrs. T. J. Johnson of Ontario left the hospital in greatly improved health on Sunday.

Miss Blanche Sidford of Payette has returned to the hospital suffering from an attack of paralysis.

Mrs. W. S. Thompson of Weiser who was operated upon last week expects to return home soon.

Miss May Flock of Fruitland is rapidly improving.

C. P. Becker left for his home in Westfall Tuesday after recovering from his illness.

Mrs. L. J. Aker and infant son left the hospital for their home in the city on Saturday.

L. G. Olson after recovering from the effects of his operation for appendicitis was able to return to his home in the city last Thursday.

Miss Marion Stetler of Fruitland is still a patient at the hospital.

Mrs. E. Cope Ladies' Tailor and Dressmaker, Phone 91-M.

MOVING PICTURES OF BOYS ON THE BORDER

"Cactus Land in Story, Song and Picture," is the title of a splendid combination attraction featuring the Second Idaho Regimental Quartet; 3000 feet of moving pictures showing our own Soldier-Boys in actual service on the Mexican Border; and scenes made from photographs picturing the conditions and horrors found by Earl Wayland Bowman, war correspondent with the Regiment, when he made his reckless dash two hundred miles beyond the Border into the heart of Sonora.

The record of the Second Idaho while in federal service at Nogales is one of which every Idahoan should be proud.

The moving pictures show the boys while they were making that record—the Ft. Huachuca hike, out-post guard duty on the Mexican line, camp life at Nogales, trenching, on the rifle range, the Captain Wilson incident, the camera showing the scene where he was shot and later the hospital, etc., etc., and many other thrilling events of the seven months the Idaho lads were on the Border.

The Regimental Quartet of the Second Idaho was conceded to be the best quartet at Nogales and the boys sung their way into the hearts of the 8000 guardmen stationed there and were in constant demand at the theatres of the Border town. Their "Mexican Waddle" is a scream. The camp and Border melodies are full of life and fun.

The Quartet alone is a whole show. Don't miss it. Twenty-five and fifty cents.

At Dreamland Saturday February 10th, one night only and only one show. Doors open at 7:30. Show promptly at 8:00 p. m.

BIG SHEARING PLANT WILL BE INSTALLED.

A modern shearing plant is to be installed at Venator, on the Oregon & Eastern railroad, 16 miles east of here. Edgar Hollinger of North Powder and Baker was here recently and made arrangements for erecting the sheds, pens and the placement of machinery, the entire plant to be ready for operation some time in March. Mr. Hollinger states that the plant will be one of the finest on the Ontario-Crane railroad line, and that the Australian system of shearing will be adopted. E. A. Moxley of this city will help in hooking sheep for the new enterprise, and will also assist during the operating season, which starts in April.—Crane American.

SOLDIES OF FORTUNE—FIGHTER UNDER MANY FLAGS VISITS ONTARIO

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revolution subsided and opportunity for adventure in the Flowery republic faded.

In speaking of conditions in the various armies Dr. Altirion in part said:

"The revolution in Mexico will continue indefinitely, or at least until the European war is over and the foreign governments take a hand and compel the United States to settle matters. Both Carranza and Villa get supplies from the United States with funds extorted from British and American firms. The soldiers on both sides desert and go over to the other without regard to the merits of the quarrel.

"Villa is a hero in Mexico now because he has succeeded in escaping from the 'gringo.' Why as the result of Villa's escape from Pershing the Mexicans think they can whip the United States. They have no fear for Uncle Sam at all. Villa's men, generally speaking, are bigger and harder than the average Mexican. In both the Mexican armies there are soldiers of every nation, nearly. Especially numerous are Americans, many of whom have served Uncle Sam.

Chinese Fight with Teapots.

"The funniest army in the world, I believe, is the Chinese. After witnessing the battles in Belgium and France the Chinese revolution looked like a comic opera. I have seen battles in China in which hundreds of thousands were engaged for several days and in which there would be almost no men killed or wounded. Why the great big Chinaman goes in to battle with a rifle in one hand and a tea pot and fan in the other."

As the result of his travels in for-

eign lands Dr. Harrison has accumulated a veritable museum of relics including hundreds of gruesome exhibits from dozens of battle fields. Bullets taken from bodies of soldiers including one from the pommal of Villa's saddle, give ocular evidence of his experiences. One of the strangest of these relics is that of a tallman worn by a Mexican soldier on which was painted a bright red heart under which were the words, "The Sacred Heart of Jesus." The bullet which killed the wearer of this relic passed thru his body and the point of the bullet pierced the amulet and rested on the apex of the painted heart.

Beside the relic of battle fields he exhibited to friends many curios secured in China including wonderful tapestries, bronze figures of religious significance there as well as curiously carved ivory and jade. In connection with every curio there was a story to tell as only one who had the experience of the Doctor could relate.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF SALE OF DELINQUENT OWYHEE DITCH COMPANY STOCK.

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Owyhee Ditch Company, held in Ontario, Oregon, on the 3rd day of October 1914, an assessment of 5 per cent (50 cents per share) was levied on all Owyhee Ditch Company stock outstanding; and at a regular meeting of said board, held in Ontario, Oregon, on the 2nd day of October 1915, another assessment of 5 per cent (50 cents per share) was levied on the par value of all Owyhee Ditch Company stock outstanding; and at a regular meeting of said board, held in Ontario, Oregon, on the 7th day of October 1916, another assessment of 5 per cent (50 cents per share) was levied on the par value of all Owyhee Ditch Company stock outstanding, all of which assessments were for purposes of maintenance and that each of the above mentioned assessments fell delinquent thirty days after their respective levies.

There is now delinquent on the above assessments the following stock:

On 1914 Assessment. T. P. Arnold, 10 shares \$ 5.00 J. H. Cook, (Trustee) 5 shares 2.50 Geo. Green, 1 share50 W. L. Gibson, 65 shares 32.50

On 1915 Assessment. T. P. Arnold, 10 shares 5.00 I. G. Anderson, 5 shares 2.50 J. H. Cook (Trust.), 5 shares 2.50 Devereaux Mortg. Co., 20 shares 10.00 W. L. Gibson, 65 shares 32.50 Geo. Green, 1 share50 W. E. Hulery, 10 shares 5.00 W. F. Kohler, 20 shares 10.00 A. D. Moray, 57 shares 28.50 Ella L. Moray, 18 shares 9.00 W. Scott Neal, 20 shares 10.00 S. E. Phillips (Estate) 10 shares 5.00 F. W. Sheffield, 39 shares 19.50 Mrs. Otto Schweizer, 30 shares 15.00

On 1916 Assessment. Jake Adams, 2 1/2 shares 1.25 T. P. Arnold, 10 shares 5.00 I. G. Anderson, 5 shares 2.50 Olive Ainsworth, 4 1/2 shares 2.37 1/2 C. E. Belding, 46 shares 23.00 Bruce and Feld Loan & T. Co., 20 shares 10.00 A. T. Burch, 15 shares 7.50 Geo. Coleman, 31 shares 15.50 J. H. Cook (Trustee) 5 shares 2.50 Devereaux Mortg. Co., 20 shares 10.00 H. DeArmond (D. Magill) 17 shares 8.50 Albert Glenn, 12 shares 6.00 M. B. Gwinn, 90 shares 45.00 W. L. Gibson, 75 shares 37.50 Geo. Green, 7 shares 3.50 L. D. Gordon, 45 shares 22.50 W. E. Hulery, 10 shares 5.00 Jerry Hurley, 62 shares 31.00 T. J. Johnson (Estate) 30 shares 15.00 W. G. Jenkins, 304 1/2 shares 152.25 Arthur E. Kimball, 61 shares 30.50 A. M. Lackey, 1 share50 W. F. Kochler, 20 shares 10.00 O. A. Mogorden (Trustee) 3 1/2 shares 1.75 A. D. Moray, 57 shares 28.50 Ella L. Moray, 18 shares 9.00 T. H. Moore, 8 1/2 shares 4.25 W. Scott Neal, 20 shares 10.00 R. R. Overstreet, 7 shares 3.50 S. E. Phillips, 10 shares 5.00 Annie Phillips, 5 shares 2.50 Geo. P. Ransom, 20 shares 10.00 Lula Rich, 2 1/2 shares 1.25 F. W. Sheffield, 39 shares 19.50 Mrs. Otto Schweizer, 30 shares 15.00 N. U. Sanderson (T. H. Moore) 80 shares 40.00 I. P. Taylor, 15 shares 7.50 E. J. VanCourt, 20 shares 10.00 Whitworth & Doolittle 10 shares 5.00

And in accordance with law and an order of the board of directors of the

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Owyhee Ditch Company, made on the 6th day of January 1917, so many shares of each parcel of said stock as necessary to pay said assessments and expense of advertising and sale, will be sold at the office of the Owyhee Ditch Company on California Street, in the City of Ontario, County of Malheur, State of Oregon, on the third day of March 1917, at the hour of twelve (noon) of said day, to the highest bidder for cash. And the board desires it understood that there will be no postponement of this sale.

G. L. KING, Secretary.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN FORECLOSURE

By virtue of an Execution in Foreclosure duly issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Malheur County, dated the 16th day of January, 1917, in a certain action in the Circuit Court of said State and County, wherein the State Land Board of Oregon, consisting of James Withycombe, Governor, Ben. W. Olcott, Secretary of State, and Thomas B. Kay, State Treasurer, as plaintiff, recovered judgment against Byron W. Stone, Libbie M. Stone, Edward Neese, Libbie M. Neese, Ontario Snake River Irrigation Company, a corporation, T. B. Fiser and Kate Fiser, as defendants and also in a certain action wherein the Ontario Snake River Irrigation Company recovered judgment against Edward Neese of above named defendants; the first above named judgment being for the sum of \$600.00 with interest thereon from November 5, 1913, at 6 per cent per annum, and the sum of \$178.50 for taxes paid, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from July 25, 1916, and the further sum of \$75.00 attorney fees and the sum of \$26.35 costs and disbursements; the second above named judgment being for the sum of \$187.50 with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from March 22, 1911, the sum of \$125.00 maintenance charges, with accrued interest to said date of \$20.10 and the further sum of \$25.00 attorney's fees, and the further sum of \$12.80 costs and disbursements;

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will on the 17th day of February, 1917, at the hour of 11:30 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the main entrance of the Malheur County Court House in Vale, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, or bidders, for cash, the following described real property, to-wit:

The East Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, (E 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4), the West Half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (W 1/2 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4), and the south Half of the South Half of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest quarter (S 1/2 S 1/2 N 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4) of Section Two (2), Township eighteen (18) South, Range forty-seven (47) E. W. M. in Malheur County, Oregon, together with all water right used upon, for or in connection therewith together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in any wise appertaining;

Taken and levied upon as the property of the said Byron W. Stone, Libbie M. Stone, Edward Neese, Libbie M. Neese, Ontario Snake River Irrigation Company, a corporation, T. B. Fiser and Kate Fiser, as defendants, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgments in favor of the State Land Board, consisting of James Withycombe, Governor, Ben W. Olcott, Secretary of State and Thomas B. Kay, State Treasurer, and against the said defendants and also the judgment of the Ontario Snake River Irrigation Company, a Corporation against Edward Neese, of above named defendants, with interest thereon, together with all costs and disbursements that have or may accrue.

Dated at Vale, Oregon, this 16th day of January, 1917.

BEN J. BROWN, Sheriff, By JNO. R. WHEELER, Deputy.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN FORECLOSURE.

By virtue of an Execution in Foreclosure duly issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Malheur County, dated January 9, 1917, in a certain action in the said Circuit Court for said State and County, wherein the Snake River District Improvement Company, a corporation, as Plaintiff, recovered judgment against Myrtle M. Stout and Samuel W. Stout, as defendants, for the sum of Ninety Dollars (\$90.00)

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with interest thereon from the 1st day of October, 1915, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and Nine Dollars (\$9.00) penalty thereon; and for the further sum of \$35.00 attorney's fee; and for the further sum of \$28.80 costs and disbursements;

THEREFOR, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I will on the 17th day of February, 1917, at the hour of 11:30 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the main entrance door of the Malheur County Court House, at Vale, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder or bidders for cash, the following described real property, to-wit:

The Southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 31, Township fifteen south, Range forty-seven east Willamette Meridian, in Malheur County, Oregon, together with the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereto belonging;

Taken and levied upon as the property of the said above named defendants, Myrtle M. Stout and Samuel W. Stout, or as much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment in favor of the Snake River District Improvement Company, a Corporation, and against the said above named defendants, with interest thereon, together with all costs and disbursements that have or may accrue.

Dated at Vale, Oregon, this 11th day of January, 1917.

BEN J. BROWN, Sheriff, By JNO. R. WHEELER, Deputy.

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APPLICATIONS FOR GRAZING PERMITS.

Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1917, must be filed in my office at John Day, Oregon, on or before February 28, 1917. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making applications will be furnished upon request. CY J. BINGHAM, SUPERVISOR. First publication January 25, 1917. Last publication February 15, 1917.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

LOST—3 year old, red puffer, brand Wan right rump. Reward for information.—Fred Wood, Nyssa, Ore. 2-1f

FOR PAINTING, Paper hanging, and Calcimining—First Class Work, Prices Reasonable—Phone E. A. Wisdom, 205K4. 2-1f

NOW BOOKING ORDERS for day old Chicks, S. C. White Leghorns \$12.50 per hundred. A. B. Cain, Phone 206K1, Ontario, Ore. 2-1f ad*

FOR SALE—20 tons of hay, A. B. Cain, 2 miles west of Ontario. 2-1f adv*

FOR SALE—100 tons of choice alfalfa hay, four miles south of Nyssa.—Fred Wood. 2-1f.

WANTED—Bids for plowing 225 acres with tractor. Inquire Eastern Oregon Land Co. 2-1f

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OREGON EASTERN BRANCH

West Bound No. 371 Mixed—Leaves Ontario 10:00 a. m. Daily except Sunday; Arrive Vale 10:50 a. m., Juntura 2:00 p. m.; Riverside 3:20 p. m. Crane 5:20 p. m. No. 372 Mixed—Leave Crane, Ore. 7:30 a. m. Daily Except Sunday, Riverside 9:30 a. m. Juntura 10:35 a. m., Vale 1:15 p. m., Arrive Ontario 2:00 p. m.

BROGAN BRANCH

No. 373 Mixed—Leave Ontario 1:30 p. m. Daily Except Sunday. Leave Vale 2:30 p. m., Arrive Brogan 3:30 p. m.

No. 374 Mixed—Leave Brogan 3:50 p. m., Vale 5:05 p. m., Arrive Ontario 5:50 p. m.

HOMEDALE BRANCH

Extra Mixed—Leave Ontario 8:15 a. m. Daily Except Sunday.

No. 363 Mixed—Leave Nyssa 9:25 a. m. Daily Except Sunday. Arrive Homedale 10:35 a. m.

No. 3:64 Mixed—Leave Homedale 10:55 a. m. Daily Except Sunday. Arrive Nyssa 12:05 p. m.

Extra Mixed—Arrive Ontario 12:30 p. m.