

SCHOOL LANDS LOST

To Oklahoma Under a Recent Department Ruling.

EASTERN SALINE RESERVE

Declared to be a Portion of the Public Domain.

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—Through a decision handed down by the secretary of the interior the school land board has been deprived of sections 13 and 23 embraced in what is known as the "Saline reserve," situated in Woods and Woodworth counties. Under the decision the territory will be deprived of eleven sections of school land, which are probably now open to homestead settlement.

The land in question is what is known as the "Eastern Saline Reserve," within the Cherokee Outlet. The lands within this outlet were acquired by the United States under the separate agreements with the Cherokee Nation, the Tonkawas and Pawnee, which agreements were ratified by the act of March 3, 1890. By that act congress made special provision for the disposal of the lands in the outlet. It was directed that the president should, by proclamation, open them to settlement and entry, except such portions as were reserved for the Chickasaw Indian school, or were allotted to Indians and sections 16 and 26 of each township, which were reserved for the benefit of the public schools; and it was further provided that the president might "make such other reservations of lands for public purposes as he may deem wise and desirable." Accordingly, by proclamation the president declared that the lands reserved by these Indians should be opened to settlement and entry on September 18, 1895, except certain described lands set apart for Indian and other purposes and excepting also the saline lands covered by three leases made by the Cherokee Nation prior to March 2, 1890, known as the eastern, western and middle saline reserves. There was also an exception of section 23 of each township which was reserved for public buildings. The Indian leases referred to not having been approved by the secretary of the interior, the president by proclamation dated July 27, 1898, declared that "all the lands in said saline reserves are hereby restored to the public domain and will be disposed of under the general land laws of the United States relating to public lands in said Cherokee Outlet, subject to the policy of the government in disposing of saline lands."

Leonard Brooks applied to the land office in Woodward county to homestead the southeast quarter of section 22, township 28 north, range 9 west, a portion of one of the saline reserves. His application was refused and he carried the matter to the general land commissioner, who reversed the decision of the lower land office. At this point the territorial school land board intervened and refused to allow Brooks to homestead the claim. An appeal was taken to the interior department, where the general land commissioner was sustained.

New Use for Wireless Telegraphy. Wireless telegraphy has had a new demonstration of its utility by the signals of a lightning bolt, which after ordinary signals had failed, to notify the shore authorities of danger. In a like manner Hester's Stomach Bitters, the famous dyspepsia cure, acts when all other medicines fail. Its superiority is strikingly seen in the renewal of strength. It regulates the bowels, improves the appetite and cures indigestion. Try it.

MORE MONEY FOR OKLAHOMA

Asked for in a Pending Bill.—The Capital Location Question.

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—A dispatch from Washington says that an amendment has been added to the appropriation bill to increase the executive and judicial appropriations for Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona. Under the provision of the amendment Oklahoma receives an appropriation of \$15,000, and the salary of the governor is increased from \$25,000 to \$15,000. The total of the Oklahoma appropriation for judicial and executive purposes will, if the measure carries, be \$2,000 more than that of Arizona and \$2,000 less than that of New Mexico. Among the provisions of the bill is one respecting the location of the territorial capital. To this clause Senator Culberson moved to add the words "Provided, further, that said legislative assembly shall not make any appropriation or enter into any contract for a permanent site."

LIQUOR DEALERS IN SESSION

They Hope to Bring in Every Dealer in the Territory.

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—The executive committee named at the recent convention of the liquor dealers of the territory were in session here this afternoon to perfect plans of organization. The meeting was held behind closed doors and no details have yet been given out except that perfect harmony prevails and that the outlook is bright for the upbuilding of a compact organization embracing nearly every liquor dealer in the territory.

TECUMSEH JAIL QUARANTINED

And the Term of Court Is Likely to be Indefinitely Postponed.

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—Unless there is a change for the better it is probable that the district court term for Tecumseh county, originally set for March 26, will be indefinitely postponed on account of the prevalence of smallpox. The disease has broken out in the county jail at Tecumseh and a strict quarantine is in force.

Trees About Perry's Court House.

Perry, O. T., March 21.—The trees in the court house square have been thinned out and the vacant places filled in and the care of them has been turned over to the county attorney. Will Little, who first set out the trees, deserves much credit for the manner in which he cared for them while he was here. As an experiment, he left one row untrimmed. In transplanting the trees this spring it was found that the untrimmed trees were better in every way than those that were trimmed.

Guthrie's Federation Delegates

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—The Shakespear and Chamberlaine clubs of Guthrie will send delegates to the territorial Federation of Women's Clubs which moves to Kingfisher next month. The Shakespear club will be represented by Mrs. John H. Burford and Miss Margaret Hoese as delegates, and Mrs. O. R. Fagan and Mrs. Joseph Wisby as alternates. The Chamberlaine club will send Mrs. A. H. Huston and Mrs. N. C. Ouse as delegates and Mrs. W. J. Marsh and Mrs. N. M. Carls as alternates.

To Prepare Examination Questions

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—The territorial board of education will meet in Guthrie tomorrow for the purpose of preparing a set of questions for the April examination. The board consists of Superintendent S. W. Hopkins; President D. R. Boyd of Norman University; President E. D. Mordough of the Edmond Normal; County Superintendent G. D. Mardis of Kingfisher; City Superintendent B. F. Nihart of Oklahoma City.

Judge Haines Goes to Alva.

Dyers, O. T., March 21.—District court has adjourned for the week. Judge Haines is going to Alva to hold court this week. Our judge is in great demand in the different districts owing to the fact that he does business rapidly and efficiently, thus saving much cost to the counties and litigants.

YOUNG REPUBLICANS ACTIVE

These of Renfrow Organize at an Enthusiastic Meeting.

Renfrow, O. T., March 21.—A large and enthusiastic republican meeting was held in the M. W. A. hall in this city Monday evening, the occasion being the formation of a branch organization—comprising Renfrow and Fairview townships—of the Grant county junior republican club. President Thomas of the county club called the meeting to order with a few appropriate remarks in the interest of the organization, after which the constitution was read by Secretary Palmer. C. W. Dalrymple was chosen temporary chairman and W. A. Cooksey secretary. These selections were unanimously made permanent. Short talks were made by Clerk Asher of the district court and C. P. Dunham of Pond Creek, which were well received. Judge Deck was unavoidably detained at home, and could not be present. Between thirty and forty republicans joined the organization. The branch club at this place will meet the second Monday in each month. Treasurer Davis says at least twenty-five young men will join the local club at its next meeting. A couple of colored people, with a guitar, furnished some very fine vocal music during the meeting, which seemed to be highly appreciated. According to the Republican club between 400 and 500 young republicans will have joined the organization by June 1, at which time they will be thoroughly organized for this fall's campaign.

J. A. KING ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Serious and Possible Fatal Mischance at Davis, I. T.

Wynnewood, I. T., March 21.—What may prove to be a serious accident occurred this morning about 2 o'clock at Davis, a town ten miles south of here. The Woodmen held a meeting for special work at that place last night and about a dozen attended from here, among the number being J. A. King. While waiting at the station for the return train and about twenty minutes before it was due the night watchman of Davis came up with the mail car, across which lay his Winchester rifle, loaded. Mr. King made some remark to him as a brother Woodman, when the former dropped the handles of his rifle, and the rifle was immediately discharged, the ball entering the lower part of one of King's legs and tearing the calf and knee cap fearfully. It is supposed that the gun was carelessly left cocked after loading. A physician was hastily summoned, and all attention possible rendered. Mr. King was placed on a cot and brought to his home at this place. It is impossible to know at this stage just how serious the wound may prove, but it seems very evident to attending physicians that the limb will have to be amputated.

HIS KNIFE WAS TOO DULL

Man Giving the Name of Kennard Killed at Perry.

Perry, O. T., March 21.—A man about 50 years old went to a bath house on the South side last night and entered a room to take a bath. Being absent longer than the proprietor deemed necessary, his room was entered and he was found covered with blood from an attempt to cut the arteries at his wrist. His knife was too dull and he failed in his attempt. He gave the name of Kennard and said he hailed from Seattle and Omaha, both. He was transferred to the county jail, where his wounds were dressed. He will probably recover.

MATEE IS MUCH ENCOURAGED

Over the Prospect of Salary Increase—Gives Free Homes a Boost.

Guthrie, O. T., March 21.—Judge Matee, who is in Washington working for the passage of a bill to increase the salary of judges in the territories, has also declared that he is much encouraged.

Feed Your Hair

It's the only way you can make it grow thick and long. And it's the only way to stop falling of the hair; for falling hair is starved hair.

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For Single-Woman Homesteaders.

Washington, March 21.—The house committee on public lands today directed a favorable report on a bill allowing a single woman who located a homestead entry on unpatented lands to complete the entry after her marriage.

Cleveland Bares Langtry's Show

Cleveland, Ohio, March 21.—As a result of the movement recently inaugurated in this city against the presentation of certain plays, the engagement of Mrs. Langtry, who was billed to open at the Euclid avenue opera house on April 2, is cancelled. The police authorities several days ago announced that a censor would be placed at the theatre at the first performance of "The Degenerates," with full authority to order the curtain rung down should anything objectionable be said or done on the stage.

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Washington, March 21.—Beginning next month, seventy-three additional post-offices will adopt the system of registering letters by carriers. The new system then will be in operation in 30 cities.

SHIP-OF-WAR TO CHINA

But Not as a Partner in a Naval Demonstration.

SUCH AN ENTANGLEMENT

Has Always Been Avoided and Always Will Be.

Berlin, March 21.—An official agency today gave out a Washington dispatch without comment to the effect that the American warship sent to Asia is intended to participate in an eventual joint naval demonstration should China persist in her refusal to suppress the sects hostile to Christians.

Washington, March 21.—The fact that the state department has consistently, throughout the many uprisings in China, necessitating the presence of foreign warships, adhered to its policy of acting alone, is quoted here as sufficient to indicate the error in the statement connecting the presence of the Wheeling with an international demonstration. It is pointed out that in the past the United States warships have undertaken to protect all Caucasians, European and American, near the port where they might be in time of disturbance in China. Thus the light gunboat Petrel was kept all of one winter at Neuchang guarding not the residents of Americans alone, but Europeans as well. The warships of foreign powers have looked after the protection of Americans as well as of their own people during the operations of one of the Chinese secret societies. But in each case the rule has been observed that the United States was acting on its own motion, and, therefore, it can be stated that in the present instance the commander of the Wheeling will act upon directions from his government without being a party to any international demonstration.

DEMOCRATS IN COMMOTION

Apprehension of Crowds at Powers' Preliminary.

Frankfort, Ky., March 21.—The report that special trains would be run from various mountain counties to bring crowds here Friday, the day set for the examining trial of Caleb Powers, John Davis and W. S. Cullum, charged with being accessories to the Gobel assassination, caused a stir here. Adjudant General John B. Castleman arrived here tonight in response to a telegram from Governor Beckham, and a conference of the Democratic leaders was held, lasting several hours. Local railroad men were called on and asked concerning the report that crowds were to be brought here, but what information was gained from them on this point is not known. County Attorney Polingrove spent today in Lexington in conference with Wharton Golden. The latter has not been summoned as a witness for either side, but the prosecution are expecting him to come here Friday with a summons.

GOLDEN IS A PIPE-DREAMIST

He Now Says He Talked Too Much With His Vocal Organs.

Lexington, Ky., March 21.—P. W. Golden is the subject of all eyes in the Gobel murder investigation. He slipped into Lexington last night, kept himself hidden and was under surveillance of detectives all day today, defeating the purposes of all except friends to see him. He left this afternoon in a buggy, presumably for Winchester, accompanied only by a detective. He was absolutely inaccessible to outsiders, and to friends with more or less secrecy. It was made known to Dr. A. C. Foster and H. M. Steele of London, Ky., who are here, friends having had a portion of what is attributed to him. He explained that he probably was drinking and talked too much. To Steele, Golden said: "Rumors going over the country are all a lie. You will find out later that I am telling you the truth."

IS AT THE MOURNER'S BENCH

Kentucky Would Fain Bring Forth Fruits Meet for the Openure.

Lexington, Ky., March 21.—A meeting was held here today, attended by leading citizens of this city and surrounding vicinity. The object was to put on foot a non-partisan move looking towards action to relieve the reputation of Kentucky and obliterate the reputation of the present complicated state of affairs and acts leading to them have given it. A similar move is on foot in Louisville and Lexington. So far the work is being done with more or less secrecy. It was decided today to issue an address to all counties in the state, calling conventions to elect delegates on April 25, to a state convention to be held in Louisville April 24. Beyond this, nothing definite was done.

HARMONY COMMITTEE'S WORK

Is Expected to Turn the Scale for the Porto Rico Bill.

Washington, March 21.—The friends of the Porto Rico tariff bill in the senate are more confident than ever that they will be able to pass the measure. It is claimed that the quiet work which the harmony committee has been doing is having effect, and that the opponents of the tariff are not so determined as they were a short time ago. The argument is being made that this being a republican measure, it ought not to be defeated by republican votes.

OF Interest to Common Carriers

Washington, March 21.—The commissioner of internal revenue has ruled that the word "duplication," as used in the paragraph of section 411 of the war revenue act headed "Exports and Imports," includes all copies of bills of lading, and every copy of any instrument evidencing the receipt and forwarding of goods issued by the carrier or his agent, must bear a 1-cent stamp, and any memorandum on the same that it is merely a copy, not a bill of lading, nor a duplicate, etc., will have no effect to exempt the copy from taxation as a duplicate.

Next Ten Days Probably Good Bank Weather.

Yesterday was the first day of spring, and the weather was worthy of the day. Though today may not be, equinoctial storms may be looked for in the next ten days and the time will be put in by John Clayton and Charles Mosbacher shooting ducks.

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ADDITIONAL CITY NEWS

EMPORIA BANK CASE

Up for Hearing in Federal Court Yesterday.

The case of Martin Abough, receiver for the defunct Bank of Emporia against William Martindale, vice president of the institution, who is trying to divert \$50,000 of the proceeds of Sunny Slope farm to eastern creditors, was on in the federal court yesterday. Judge Williams was on the bench, and the trial occupied the greater part of the day.

FOR THE COMING SEASON WILL BE IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Joe Patchen, the black champion of powers, who was in Wichita last fall, will begin his contest for further honors this summer in June. A New York dispatch says:

Joe Patchen's first public appearance this year will be at Combination Park, Medford, Mass., in June. There will be a race meeting at Combination Park, and the black stallion has been procured as a special attraction. It was over this track that Patchen placed the world's half-mile track record of 1994 to his credit, and in his appearance there in June the black horse will not only endeavor to lower that record, but he will also try to establish a new half-mile track record.

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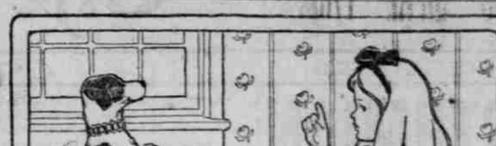
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