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Reclaimed Land Now In Great Demand

A thousand letters a week are pouring into the office of the reclamation service in Washington. They are from people who want to go into the new irrigated lands of the far West, there to make—as they and the government believe—their everlasting fortunes. At the rate these inquiries are increasing it looks as if the whole middle West would be moving on pretty soon. Even the rock-bound New Englander is taking notice. More than 400 letters from the neighborhood of Boston have been received within the last few weeks. Hundreds of New York state folks are going into the Northwest. Even men from Manhattan, who never owned any more of Mother Earth than the dust they—or some one else's—automobile loaded them with, are talking about farms and projects.

The word project, when used in connection with the reclamation service work, has a definite meaning. There are about 25 projects under way at present, 11 of them being well along toward completion. These are always referred to as the "Shoshone project, the Tilton project, the Truckee-Carson project and so on.

These projects are distributed throughout 15 states. All of those west of the Mississippi except Texas and Oklahoma are included, and millions of acres have already been settled. People back East are just beginning to find out that the stories which have come from these reclaimed desert farms are not fairy tales, hence those thousand letters a week.

Answering Questions.

C. J. Blanchard of the reclamation service has had to get out printed circulars covering the replies to these letters. No office force could handle them otherwise. One of the most ingenious of the circulars is called "Questions and Answers." It contains 75 inquiries, many of them taken from letters received from correspondents. Each question has its clear and concise answer.

According to Mr. Blanchard, who spends every summer gathering information at the various projects, the settlement of the irrigated lands is one of the most remarkable things in our farming history. They have drawn the best class of settlers which ever went into government lands. One reason for this is that a man has to have some money to take up one of these farm units and to get it under cultivation. It isn't the land that costs, it is the water.

An uneducated immigrant or a shiftless American who hadn't saved a cent can't go into these lands, put up a shack and scratch the ground for a poor imitation of a living. He ought to have at least \$1000 to make his start. What is more, it costs a good deal for a man to go out and look over the ground. And when it comes to moving his family and his household goods a couple of thousand miles or so the expenses mount to a figure which staggers the average rural mind. That's where the Easterner is at a big disadvantage. He hates to risk much money chasing what may prove to be only rainbows. So he sticks where he is and hangs on to what he has, while his Western brother boots scornfully and pockets the agricultural prizes.

Get Rich.

The stories which are coming back, however, are so glowing that they dazzle even at this distance. Up in the Yakima valley in Washington they pay \$1000 an acre for land and make money on it. In one place they raise four crops of strawberries a season. In another they gather in five crops of alfalfa a year. A single valley turned out \$10,000,000 worth of farm products last year.

And so it goes until even the complacent New Yorker begins to tingle with a novel excitement and figures how many motor trips abroad he could finance from a five-acre farm unit. The New Yorker is welcome enough, but the section where the reclamation sirens are singing their sweetest song is in the upper Mississippi valley.

It is estimated that within the last few years a quarter of a million families—and that would mean over a million persons—have emigrated to Canada from the states along the upper Mississippi. When Iowa farmers got to be worth from \$75 an acre up to a considerably higher figure many farmers saw a chance to make two fortunes instead of one. They sold their Iowa farms—that made one fortune—and went to Canada, where they got land for perhaps \$5 an acre, which they hope to see climb to something near the Iowa figure.

These men were good, sound, intelligent Americans of the best type of citizens, and the government was mighty loth to see them go. With the prize of a farm unit in one of the reclamation projects to charge before the roving vision of the Mississippi valley man Uncle Sam expects to be able to snap his fingers triumphantly at Canadian colonization agents.

HOMES FOR SALE

CASH OR TIME PAYMENTS

J.W. Wallace

IN THE ALLEN BLOCK.

FALLS 500 FEET FROM BALLOON AND IS KILLED

Flames Burst From Inflated Bag High in Air—Aeronaut Plunged to Earth—Wife Hurries to His Side.

WATERVILLE, Me., Sept. 9.—In full view of 25,000 horrified spectators assembled on the Central Maine fair grounds here late today Charles Oliver Jones, the well-known aeronaut of Hammondport, New York, fell a distance of 500 feet to his death. Among the witnesses of the frightful plunge was Mrs. Jones and her child, and they were almost the first to reach the side of the dying man. The aeronaut expired this evening, about an hour and a half after the accident. Jones had been at the fair grounds with his dirigible balloon "Boomerang," known as a Strobel airship, since Monday, the opening day of the big show. Today he arranged to make a flight between 3 and 4 o'clock, but such a high wind prevailed that a delay was necessary. At 4:30, conditions had modified to some extent, and he gave the word to have the machine released.

Flames from Balloon.

When the aeronaut reached a height of more than 200 feet, the spectators were amazed to see small tongues of flames issuing from under the gas bag in front of the meter. At this time the balloon had passed out of sight of the fair grounds. Many persons in the great crowd endeavored to apprise Jones of his danger, but several minutes elapsed before he noticed the fire. Then he grasped the rip-cord, and by letting out gas, endeavored to reach the earth. The machine had descended but a short distance, when a sudden burst of flames enveloped the gas bag, the framework separating from the bag.

Jones fell with the frame of his motor, and when the horrified spectators reached him he was lying under it about a quarter of a mile from the fair grounds. The gas bag, which fell nearby, was destroyed.

Wife Rushes to His Side.

Among the first to reach the side of the aeronaut was his wife, who had seen the accident. The physicians who were in the crowd found that Jones had no chance to survive as he was injured internally, and his spine was broken. He died at 6:15. Coroner Reddington will hold an autopsy Friday.

Jones had trouble with his balloon yesterday on account of cold weather Monday night, which caused a number of leaks through the contraction of the gas bag. The leaks were repaired and the balloon inflated, but the wind was so high that Jones considered it dangerous to ascend. It is thought that the bag leaked again today and that a spark from the motor caused the disaster.

Jones was 40 years old and leaves a widow and child.

ONE MILLION A YEAR FROM STREET CARS

Result of Deal by Chicago With Traction Company—Figures Made Public.

An income of over \$1,000,000 a year is what the city of Chicago will receive as its share in the unique partnership between it and the local street car companies which was hit upon as the best solution of the transit problem. The first complete figures of the deal under this arrangement have just been made public and show the success of the experiment. As a result other municipalities with traction problems on their hands may adopt their co-operation plan, as a way out of their difficulties.

The report which has been issued contains a statement of the net earnings of the two street railway companies for the periods ending June 30 and 31. These figures were: for the Chicago railway company, five months, \$810,083; for the Chicago City Railway, six months, \$406,484—making a total of \$1,016,567. The city's share of this sum, as stipulated in the recent ordinances of the companies is 35 per cent, which amounts to a total in cash of \$606,812 for the half year. At this rate the city may count on an annual income of at least a million and a quarter dollars, and probably more in future years, as the city grows and business conditions improve. Other interesting figures were contained in the statement. President Mitten, of the City railway reported fatal accidents during the year as one to every 4,172,727 passengers carried. The figure last year was one to every 2,595,919 passengers. The present valuation of the road is given as \$22,000,000. Both companies report progress in the gigantic task of rehabilitating the street car lines, which a year ago were little better than a mass of sunk and antiquated cars, as a result of the skimming of the lines and the subsequent financial tangle produced by the famous manipulations of Charles T. Yerkes, the promoter.

DOUGLASITES ON HUNT.

H. N. Reno of the Copper City Brewing company of Douglas, and James Cowan, formerly manager of the Douglas Improvement company, passed through the city today en route by automobile from Globe to Douglas. Reno stated that shortly after their arrival in Douglas he and Mr. Cowan and Assistant Manager H. B. Rice of the Copper Queen store in that city, would leave for a thirty day hunt in Chihuahua.

It seems to be difficult to convince some of the West Point cadets that they are expected to be gentlemen as well as soldiers.

BRYAN OPENS HIS CAMPAIGN IN THE EAST

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form is specific and no one can use its language to frighten any business man whose transactions are fair and whose income is honestly earned.

No one can contrast the plain, straightforward declarations of our party with the vague and ambiguous utterances of the Republican leaders and the Republican candidate without recognizing that our appeal is to the judgment and good sense of the voters who desire justice for themselves and insist upon justice being done by others. Our party, if entrusted with the power, will remedy the abuses which have grown up under Republican rule, and yet remedy those abuses with due regard to constitutional limitations and without injury to any legitimate business interest.

MALPIN TROPHY TO BUCKEYE STATE

SEAGERT, N. J., Sept. 9.—The Malpin trophy in the national shooting tournament being conducted here goes to the Buckeye state. The team which took the lead when the competition began, maintained it to the finish late today, rolling up a total of 1,078 points out of a possible 1,200, or 24 points ahead of the United States infantry team, which took second place.

DANISH MINISTER IS HEAVY EMBEZZLER

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 9.—The downfall of M. Alberti, former minister of justice, who yesterday surrendered to the police and confessed to a series of frauds against the Danes' Sparkase Savings Bank, of which he was president. It is now certain that the amount involved is \$5,000,000.

JURY UNDECIDED IN RUSTIN CASE

OMAHA, Sept. 9.—The jury in the case of Dr. Frederick W. Rustin returned a verdict this afternoon finding that the physician was shot by a man. The evidence being insufficient to fasten it on any one, the jury recommended that the police continue the investigation as to the relations of Dr. Rustin and Charles E. Davis, a brother of E. H. Davis and vice president of the First National Bank.

GALE IN ENGLAND WRECKES SCHOONER

LONDON, Sept. 9.—A severe gale today caused many casualties among the smaller craft along the coast. The schooner Phyllis Gray turned turtle near Crowan and her crew of six, including the captain, were drowned. The R. M. Barkentine Orient foundered off the coast of Ireland and six members of her crew were drowned.

MARCH AT MIDNIGHT.

GLASGOW, Sept. 9.—Three thousand unemployed made a midnight march through one of the best quarters of the city. The police scattered the crowd and frustrated the object of its organization. Several arrests were made.

ASIATIC CHOLERA IN ST. PETERSBURG

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 9.—The fact that Asiatic cholera exists in St. Petersburg is certain. The body of a woman who died in this city yesterday supposedly from this disease has been examined and the bacilli of cholera found.

E. H. HARRIMAN SPECIAL HAS RIGHT OF WAY

OGDEN, Utah, Sept. 9.—Edward H. Harriman's special train left Sparks at 5 o'clock this morning and reached Ogden at 5:15 this evening. Every district on the Salt Lake division had been kept clear during the day to give the special the right of way for a record run. After a stop of twenty minutes in Ogden, the Harriman party pulled out for Omaha and another record run is scheduled.

TAFT'S TRIP.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 9.—Pending arrangements by the Republican national committee of the details of Judge Taft's intended trip through the country, plans for the Cincinnati campaign are in abeyance. But two appointments for delegations to visit the candidate here have been made, September 17th and 22nd.

POINDEXTER WINS.

SPOKANE, Sept. 9.—Judge Miles' PoinDEXTER of Spokane won the congressional nomination over a field of six candidates.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Bar silver, 51 1/4c; Mexican dollars, 45c.

MOTOR-CYCLIST DIES.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—John F. Derkum, a motor-cyclist racer of this city, lost control of his machine while practicing before the races at the Agricultural Park track today, and was thrown through the fence, fracturing his skull. He died tonight.

VANDERBILT CUP RACE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The Vanderbilt cup race for automobiles will positively be run over the Long Island Parkway course on October 24, as previously announced. This was announced today after a meeting of the William H. Vanderbilt Cup commission.

JAP TO BE TRIED.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Judge Reid in the federal court in Seattle, has been designated by the government to try the case against the Japanese recently arrested by a revenue cutter for seal poaching in the Behring sea. The trial will be held at Valdez, Alaska, next month.

The man who invests in an airship is certain of quick returns.

MONOGRAM USED ON POSTAGE STAMPS

Innovation by Business Men Used for Purpose of Identification.

A novelty in postage stamps which may become common elsewhere has just been instituted by some of the big business houses in Chicago. This is the stamping of firm monograms on the stamps to serve as identification and as protection against thefts by employes. This is the first marking on postage stamps other than cancellation that has ever been allowed. Some large commercial firms appealed to the government, and a short time ago an order was sent out by Postmaster General Meyer, permitting heavy purchasers of stamps to place their marks on the thousands of bits of colored paper which they use every day. This is a blow to the hundreds of per- young—herded into prison and shot. spend their leisure time poring over "freaks" and "varieties" of regular stamp issues and searching for hidden water-marks with the aid of a magnifying glass. When some time ago some of the 2-cent red stamps appeared with a bit of a slug which could be detected over the figure by examination with a good reading glass, every "variety" collector spent days and nights trying to get one for his album. Now, some one of the big firms using the monogram markings have already begun to receive letters from collectors asking for specimens, but the task ahead of the ardent philatelist is a terrible one if he intends to make a complete collection. The marks, according to the postmaster general's ruling, must simply be perforation, the individual purchasers not covering more than one-thirtieth of an inch, and the whole design within a space half an inch square. Most of those which already have come through the Chicago office are monogram designs. A few firms use initials and others have heraldic crests.

BRITISH GIVE WELCOME TO CARDINAL GIBBONS

American Prelate Is Guest of Archbishop Bourne.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Cardinal Gibbons is delighted with the reception accorded his entrance into England. He arrived this morning at Southampton, where he was greeted by the Bishop of Southwark and a party of distinguished prelates, United States Consul Swain and civic functionaries were also at the station to meet the cardinal.

Arriving at Vauxhall station in London he was met by Archbishop Bourne and taken to the arch-episcopal palace, Westminster, and spent the afternoon visiting in Mill Hill.

Cardinal Gibbons will remain as a guest of Archbishop Bourne until September 8, when he will become the guest of the Duke of Norfolk at Norfolk House, where he is to have as fellow guests the Archbishop of Paris and Prince Max of Saxony.

GADSDEN HOTEL CHANGES MANAGERS

Tom Jones Leaves Popular Douglas Hostelry—Dining Room May Reopen.

Tom Jones, who has had charge of the Gadsden hotel in this city as manager since it was opened, has tendered his resignation and his connection with the hostelry will terminate on September 15.

William F. Johnson, who has held the position of assistant manager of the Knickerbocker hotel in New York city, is expected to arrive in Douglas during the next few days and he will succeed Mr. Jones in the Gadsden. Mr. Johnson is coming to Douglas with the highest recommendations as a first class hotel man, one who has a large experience in the management of high class hotels during past years.

It has been reported that the dining room at the Gadsden will be reopened soon after Mr. Johnson takes charge of the house, but Mr. Ellis of the board of directors of the hotel company stated this morning that the matter of fixing the date for the opening of the dining room at the hotel would be for the new manager to determine after his arrival.

The announcement that Mr. Jones is leaving the Gadsden hotel will be regretted by his many friends in this city, as during his stay here he has made many friends who will dislike to see him go away from Douglas. Mr. Jones came to Douglas some time before the opening of the hotel and had charge of the installation of the furniture throughout. Under his management the Gadsden was pronounced by all those who became guests of it and others who had opportunity to observe conditions, as the best hotel in the southwest. The dining room from the time of the opening of the hotel until it was discontinued was unstinted praise from all who went inside or it. Eastern people have testified to the fact that the Gadsden hotel was equal to any in the country in the matter of service and elegant furnishings.

During the last two weeks there has been a visible increase of the number of guests daily arriving at the Gadsden hotel and this fact is considered as an evidence of improvement in the condition of the country, as many of the coming guests are looking after mining properties in this section of the country.

NATHAN STRAUS FOR BRYAN.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Nathan Straus, who was today selected by the Democratic national committee in Chicago as president of the Bryan and Kern Business Men's association, said he would accept the office and wage an active campaign in behalf of Mr. Bryan. The eastern headquarters will be in the Hoffman house here.

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