

IMMENSE IRRIGATION SCHEME FOR IDAHO

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 12.—The state of Idaho is soon to be the scene of the largest irrigation works in the United States, and the third in scope in the world. The land to be reclaimed is along the Snake river, and the tract is 271,000 acres in extent. The scheme includes the building of

two immense canals, the development of power at Shoshone Falls, and the building of an electric railroad 45 miles long from the Oregon Short Line railroad at Shoshone to the two towns. The area to be reclaimed includes the tract which was set aside several years ago for a national park because of its beautiful scenery.

WANTS JOB BACK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The petition of Miss Rebecca J. Taylor for a writ of mandamus to compel the secretary of war to reinstate her in her position at the war department came up for hearing today in the district supreme court. The case has attracted wide attention because of the assertion that Miss Taylor was discharged on account of making criticisms of the administration's Philippine policy.

Missoula, Mont.—P. Z. Prince, a prominent resident, has been adjudged insane.

CITY NEWS.

The Card club will meet this afternoon at Miss Bertha Hogan's, 802 Indiana ave.
For the week ending yesterday the bank clearings amounted to \$2,137,958, an increase of \$456,910 over the previous week.
Coach Strong of the High school football team is the recipient of a gold watch, a gift from the High school Athletic association.

Miss Irma and Mr. Theo. Childs and Miss Elsa Doerr will give a dance to the Jolly Sixteen at the home of the former, 5504 Hemlock, this evening.
The police have been asked by telegraph to find George Bagley of Hope, Idaho, who is supposed to be in this city. The telegram merely said he was wanted on an important matter.

An Indian basket exhibition is being held in the Hyde block this afternoon and evening by the Art League. Many very artistic and interesting specimens of basket work are on show.

The Spokane city council has been invited to send a committee of five to a conference of committees from the three principal cities of the state to consider the subject of better laws.

A basket social will be held this evening by the Y. P. S. C. E. of Bethel Presbyterian church in the social hall in the upper part of the church. There will be an interesting musical and literary program.

The city commission, it is expected, will within a few days place an order for two new pumps to be added to the city water works. When these are installed the works will have a capacity of 14,000,000 gallons every 24 hours.

Caroline Ness, the woman who has been repeatedly brought into the police court for annoying Proprietor Larson of the Norden hotel, appeared before Judge Hinkle yesterday on the same charge. The case was continued until December 26.

Main ave. is to be extended to the Monroe st. bridge on a level with the street and a branch of the street will extend down into Peacock Valley. The south end of the bridge is to be torn out and rebuilt. The improvements will cost \$30,000.

Minnie Cahill, whose husband was killed last spring at Mullan on a branch line to the Morning mine, has commenced action to recover \$40,000 damages from Greenough & Larson. She estimates the damage to herself and three children at \$10,000 each.

Four Indians were brought before Judge Hinkle on a charge of drunkenness. Moses Lot would not answer questions put to him as to whether he was guilty or not and was fined \$5 and costs. Jim Hayes said guilty and was fined \$1. B. D. Peone and Moses Phillips pleaded not guilty and their cases were continued until December 12.

Some of the youngsters who seem to have a mania for defacing the cards on the United States mail boxes and shooting full of holes the rural free delivery boxes will face Uncle Sam's court. The last case which came before Judge Hanford was made in form of a light case on the promise of the parents to prevent its repetition.

A chapter of the Junior Sons and Daughters of the Revolution is to be formed in Spokane. The Seniors have appointed a committee composed of Mrs. C. H. James, Mrs. G. W. Roche and Mrs. Jack Featherstone to arrange details of the organization. A meeting has been arranged for December 30, when the proposition will be put before the junior descendants in direct line from patriots who served in the War of Independence.

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NEW SHRINERS.
Twelve candidates were initiated into the order of the Mystic Shrine at the meeting of El Katif temple last evening. Following the initiation a banquet was served and afterwards a series of remarks were made by Dr. H. W. Allen, F. C. Robertson and others. Among the visiting nobles present were Levi Ankeny, republican candidate for United States senator, and Mayor Gilbert Hunt of Walla Walla.

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MINING.

A tunnel has intersected a fine vein of ore at the Mountain Boy mine, showing the vein to be from six to twelve feet wide.

The Stewart mining property, between Government gulch and the Last Chance mine, is turning out finely and preparations are being made for shipping ore.

The Big Horn group of mining claims in the Cracker Creek district of Oregon was purchased recently. There are four claims in the property and the consideration was \$7000.

Good reports are being received from the Mohican property in the Lardeau district in British Columbia. Several men are at work and stocks of provisions are being sent in.

Tom Conley and associates have leased the Canadian King mine at Erie, B. C. An incline shaft has been sunk to about 288 feet and an aggregate of 600 feet of development work has been done.

The silver-lead mine owners of British Columbia passed a resolution urging the enactment of a tariff act for the protection of the producers of lead. The tariff proposed is 1 1/2 cents per pound on lead ores, 2 1/2 cents per pound on lead in bullion, pigs, bars and old lead.

The Cliff claims, between Park City and Davis camp, are turning out fine specimens of galena ore. The vein crops four feet wide for 700 feet. The galena ore assays 62 per cent lead, with 16 ounces of silver and \$6 gold per ton. It is proposed now to drive a tunnel 200 feet.

FOR BETTER WIRING.

Councilman J. E. Foster says that shortly a bureau of electrical inspection with an official inspector in charge will be established in this city by the Washington Insurance association. It is stated by those who are promoting the movement that most of the fires which occur in Spokane are the result of faulty wiring.

MAY DIE.

James Van Horn, whom J. Purdy is charged with striking over the head with a billiard cue at the Railroaders' Home on Monday night, is still suffering from paralysis and has not yet recovered the control of his limbs or speech. Dr. Roberts, the attending physician, fears that the case may take a turn for the worse.

Washington. — Notwithstanding the numerous reports of army officers urging the repeal of the anti-saloons law, the anti-saloons league has adopted cast iron resolutions of opposition to any change in the present law.
Livermore, Cal.—Owing to power lines and telephone wires being supported on the same poles and in too close proximity to each other the current from the power line passed to the telephone wire and resulted in the death of Mike Toohy and the stunning of L. M. McKamish.

PETTED PROTEGE OF AN AUTHOR.

PARISIAN ACTRESS FOR WHOSE TALENT NO LUXURY IS CONSIDERED TOO MUCH.



MILE. DIETERLE.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Mile. Dieterle, of the Varieties, is a protege of the author, Galland, who insists upon paying for all the costumes and scenery in the new plays she is to produce, as he considers ordinary stage settings unworthy of such talent. Her equipages are among the handsomest to be seen in the Bois de Boulogne every afternoon in the season, and her dress is noted for its perfect style. She usually appears in character parts.

AMONG THE TOILERS

Carpenters' Local union, No. 98, will meet in Odd Fellows' hall at 7:30 p. m.

The striking employees of the Wash-railroad have been granted a concession by the officials and have returned to work.

Nothing important was transacted at the meetings held by the waiters, bricklayers and brewery engineers held last night at Central Labor hall.

Next Sunday afternoon the Retail Clerks' union will hold a special meeting to take action in the matter of the admittance into the union of the lady clerks.

The following unions meet tonight at Central Labor hall: Building laborers, room 1; Federal Labor union, room 2; mill workers, painters' hall; waitresses, musicians' hall.

At a meeting of the building trades council this morning the difference between the building trades and Mr. Bacon of the Bacon block and Bacon hotel were amicably adjusted and notice was posted to that effect.

The Musicians' union at its meeting held yesterday decided that the Inland Empire band would have to cease its Sunday performance at the Spokane theater as soon as its contract is concluded.

American Labor union, No. 222, meets tomorrow evening at the Labor hall at 7:30. Thirteen members were initiated last meeting.

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