

DO YOU LONG TO OWN LAND? HERE ARE FREE, RICH ACRES

Many Irrigated Farms to Be Opened for Homesteading in February on One of Roosevelt's Reclamation Projects—Combination of City and Farm Life Umatilla Lands—Early Crops, High Prices.



A 1909 SCENE ON A PART OF THE UMATILLA ALREADY COMPLETED. WATER WAS TURNED ON THIS LAND ONLY TWO YEARS AGO. THE DESERT SAGEBRUSH HAS DISAPPEARED, AND THE PICTURE SHOWS A GROWING ORCHARD WITH A CROP OF ALFALFA BETWEEN THE ROWS OF TREES. THIS LAND WILL BE WORTH ANYWHERE FROM \$500 TO \$1000 AN ACRE IN TWO OR THREE MORE YEARS.

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Under notice already issued, entries made hereafter for these farms under the third unit of the great Umatilla project shall be accompanied by application for water rights and by the first installment of charges for the right, not less than \$19.30 per acre of irrigable land, being a first payment on the building charge of \$18 per acre and \$1.30 for operation and maintenance for the first year.

The second installment of the charge, not less than \$6 per acre, and the appropriate charge for operation and maintenance, becomes due on December 1 of each year thereafter until paid.

The great Umatilla project is just one of the many monuments to Theodore Roosevelt's policies of conservation, against which the hand of Taft is lifted in Washington. It is 100 miles east of Portland, along the Columbia river, and between it and the Umatilla.

The soil is of great depth, summer comes early, and the growing season is longer than in most parts of the west. The truck and fruit grower on this project can probably place his crops on the market in advance of his competitors, and between it and the Umatilla.

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An interesting phase of the development here is the combination of city and country life; farms are small; many five and ten-acre orchards are being laid out about the towns, and the owners have built their homes in town.

The water supply is the flood flow of the Umatilla river, which is stored in a reservoir created by constructing an earthen embankment nearly 100 feet in height and half a mile long. Owing to the porous character of the soil many of the canals are lined with cement.

The main line of the O. R. & N. railroad skirts the western edge of the project, and the Spokane branch runs through the northern part. When the Cello locks are completed the Columbia river will furnish navigation to Portland and Astoria. The main line of the Northern Pacific railroad is on the north bank of the river.

The public is cordially invited to attend a series of lessons on theosophical subjects to be given at Theosophical hall, 530 Granite block, commencing January 18 and continuing every Tuesday in each week until March 29.

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LABOR

Carney Chosen Secretary of State Council of Carpenters.

R. E. Carney, the business agent of the local carpenters' union, has a busy year ahead of him. In addition to his work as agent for the local carpenters, which in itself is no small job, he will have the duties of the secretaryship of the state council of carpenters to attend to.

At the meeting of the state council during the convention of the Washington State Federation of Labor at Hogueham, Mr. Carney was elected to the new position. P. C. Dowler was elected president of the state council.

Mr. Carney states that the uniform scale for carpenters in this state, which was talked of before the convention, was not adopted at the meeting. The matter was taken up, however, and it is believed that the trade will ultimately have a state scale here.

Reports of the delegates to the council showed that the carpenters of Seattle and a number of the coast cities will receive a raise of wages during the coming spring. It is reported that the carpenters of Seattle will ask for an increase in wages.

Delegates Are Back From the Convention. Practically all the delegates from the local unions to the convention of the state federation of labor at Hogueham have now returned. Some came Saturday night and a large number returned yesterday.

Spokane won big laurels at the convention, three important offices being handed by local men. William J. Conroy was elected second vice president of the federation, R. E. Carney, secretary of the state council of carpenters and A. W. Swenson, president of the Northwest District Typographical union.

The convention will go to Olympia next year. The provision of the laws, stipulating that on legislative years the conventions shall be held at the state capital, was not changed, although an effort was made to have the clause stricken out. It is practically assured, according to the local delegates, that the 1912 convention will come to Spokane.

Comment on Live Labor Topics by Peter Power. Boston and Chicago newspapers have been printing stories regarding the probable formation of a labor party. It is claimed that Samuel Gompers and the dominant spirits of the American Federation of Labor have been communing with prominent socialists with this view in mind.

There is nothing in these stories, no more than in the statements sent out that at the convention of the United Mine Workers at Indianapolis next week a labor party will be launched.

New Zealand is surely leading the world in the matter of reducing hours of labor. An official of the typographical union has received information that the organizations of New Zealand recently decided in favor of making a stand for 40 hours maximum labor per week. The New Zealanders claim that machinery has been introduced in the shops and factories so rapidly during the past few years that many artisans have been displaced.

The telegraphers' eight hour law of Texas has been declared unconstitutional. Such a decision is typical of the Texas tribunal, which always seems to look with disfavor on the rights of employees.

Present Fordyce with Ring. Roy Fordyce, who has recently joined the ranks of the Spokane police force, was presented with a beautiful, heavy gold ring by the members of the local beer drivers' union on Wednesday night. Previous to taking up his new work, Mr. Fordyce had been a member and officer of the local for years. He has always been popular among the members, and it was as a mark of their appreciation and friendship that the union men presented him the gift.

GRIEVANCE MEN GO EAST. Len Craig, grievance man for the B. of R. T. for the Idaho division on the Northern Pacific and J. E. Walker, for the Pasco division, are off to the Twin Cities to meet with the general grievance committee. It is reported that the meeting is only to handle the routine business of the committee. Mr. Walker is secretary of the general grievance committee.

INFANT CHILD OF BUSINESS AGENT DIES. W. A. Clift, the newly elected business agent of Federal union No. 11,624, is mourning the loss of an infant child. The child lived but two days after birth. Mr. Clift has the sincere sympathy of his many union friends.

CITY NEWS

At the Washington

There was a smack of newness to the trick sin the headliner, "The Den of Mystery," at the Washington last night. Lawrence Crane, the Irish wizard, and his company, completely captivated the large audience at the local playhouse with his unexplainable feats and stunts. The number deserves its place at the head of the list.

Henry Carver and Alice Taylor met the expectations of all, and "The Leivinos" provoked high mirth with a new feature. Lambert and Williams, conversationalists and songsters, were also classy, as was Abbie Mitchell in her phenomenal soprano solos. The bill is one of the best that has been presented at the Washington.

Bank clearings last week showed a gain of 37 per cent over the same week last year.

The Mandic cafe on Front avenue near Division was gutted and the Mandic Hotel badly damaged by smoke and water in a fire that occurred at 1 o'clock this morning. The loss is placed at \$2500. The fire is believed to have started in a bundle of mattresses in the basement.

Professor Max Hoffman, the noted spiritualist lecturer, addressed the Golden Rule Spiritualist society at Apollo hall last night. The subject of building a temple for spiritualism came up at the meeting.

Election and installation of officers will be held by the Spokane Grocers' association tomorrow night at the chamber of commerce assembly room. The following nominations have been made: President, A. W. Bower; first vice president, M. A. Doyle; second vice president, E. K. K. Allen; secretary, E. N. Cory; treasurer, Christian Andersen; trustees, U. G. Allen, S. B. Crandell, T. E. Westlake, S. A. Bishop, J. S. Yakey, W. L. McEachran, Edward Jeklin and C. A. Nickman.

John S. Delaney, special agent of the Great Northern, former Spokane policeman, is recovering rapidly from an operation for appendicitis, performed at the Sacred Heart hospital.

Members of Spokane council, Knights of Columbus, will attend in a body next Monday night the performance of "Sweet Innisfall," to be given by the Irish actor-tenor, Bernard Dally. Mr. Dally is a member of the order.

Mining men say the fall of snow in the Coeur d'Alene is a danger to the normal and that there is danger of not being enough water to operate the mines in the late spring and early summer.

Students of the Northwestern business college to the number of 250 attended the services last night at First Baptist church. Dr. Kramer, the pastor, preached on the subject, "Playing the Fool." The congregation whistled in unison, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

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Theatrical

GOOD WEEK AT THE ORPHEUM

"Hogan in Society," as presented by Bert Leslie, an able comedian and his company of good support, is the favorite attraction on the excellent bill of vaudeville at the Orpheum theater this week. Leslie, appearing as Hogan, is there with the whole vocabulary of slang. After this come Thorne and Carlton, as the "Soubrette" and the "Yap"; Charles Kenna, as a street fair; the Sisters McConnell, dancing comedians, and the "Marvelous Hiltons," in a pleasing exhibition of cycling; all of them adding merit to the bill and keeping the spirits of the interested audiences up to the highest pitch. LaVeen Cross & Co., in "Roman Sports and Pastimes," copyright if you please, have a very spectacular demonstration of ancient Roman athletics and physical culture using for the act, which is in four scenes, costumes from ancient Rome and scenes like those of the old days. Perhaps the most novel number on the bill is that in which Miss Emma Francis introduces the characteristic tumbling of her Arabian boys. Moving pictures are good.

Funeral services for Edna Edwards, who died January 10 at 617 Third avenue, were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from Smith and Co.'s chapel. Burial took place at Greenwood.

Funeral services for James Wilson, who died in jail January 12, were held at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon from Buchanan's undertaking parlors. The interment was at Greenwood.

John R. Graham, 15 year old son Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Graham, died Saturday at his home, 2421 College avenue. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence and burial took place at Fairmount.

Mrs. Louise Laubenstein, age 55 years, died Saturday night at her home, 0220 Mill street. She has been a resident of Spokane for 20 years and is survived by a husband, George P. Laubenstein and a son, W. K. Laubenstein. No funeral arrangements have been made.

James C. McConahay, aged 57 years, died Friday at his home near Hillyard. He was a former switchman and the funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist Episcopal church in Hillyard under the auspices of the switchmen's union. Burial will take place at the Masonic cemetery near Hillyard. Rev. Elsworth will officiate. He is survived by a wife and several children.

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GOING AFTER MAIL SERVICE FOR HILLYARD

Three petitions were started in Hillyard Saturday looking to making the postoffice of that place an independent substation of Spokane. One of the petitions was addressed to the postmaster general and the two to Senator Jones and Congressman Poindexter.

The petitions were freely signed and there is no question about the required number of signatures being received.

It asked that the postmaster of Hillyard, Mr. Shoemaker, be retained as chief clerk of the new office at a salary of \$1400 per annum, and that the department provide the necessary room and fixtures for carrying on the business. The postmaster at the present time receives a salary of \$1700 per annum, of which he pays the salary of two clerks.

The name of the Hillyard postoffice will continue unchanged. The city of Cambridge, Mass., a place larger than Spokane, is a substation the same as is proposed to make Hillyard, and yet it retains its distinct separation from the city of Boston, from which it gets its mail.

It is figured that if the proposed substation plan goes through for Hillyard that the town will have six carriers and three or four clerks, whereas the total spent there now for help is but \$1700 a year.

WHERE TO EAT TO-DAY. BALTIMORE DAIRY LUNCH. VEGETARIAN CAFE. FINE HOME COOKING.

THE WALL STREET LUNCH ROOM AND BAKERY. 126 WALL STREET. You have tried our excellent 25c lunch. Now try our 25c special breakfast—hot cakes, maple syrup, potatoes and choice of ham, bacon or two eggs.

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Auditorium Theatre

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY NIGHTS, JANUARY 19-20. Eugene W. Presbrey's Dramatization of Sir Gilbert Parker's 'The Right of Way'.

Prices—25c to \$1.50. Seats now selling.

PHONE MAIN 3111. 'The King of Siam,' BEST LESLIE, and Company in a New Skit, 'Hogan in Society.'

J. T. THORNE AND CARLTON. 'The Soubrette and the Yap.'

LA VEEN-CROSS & CO. Roman Sports and Pastimes. CHARLES KENNA. 'The Street Fakir.'

EMMA FRANCIS and her Arabian Boys. MCCONNELL SISTERS. Singing and Dancing Comedienne.

MARVELOUS HILTONS. Premier Comedy Cyclists. Orpheum Orchestra and Pictures.

WASHINGTON. HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE. Week Commencing Sunday Matinee, January 16.

LAWRENCE CRANE. The Irish Wizard and His Company Presenting, 'The Den of Mystery.'

Henry CARVER & TAYLOR. In Feats of Skill and Dexterity. THE LEVINOS. In Their Amusing Oddity.

SISTERS DE FAYE. Banjo Virtuoso and Charming Comedienne. LAMBERT & WILLIAMS. Conversationalists and Songsters.

ABBBIE MITCHELL. Phenomenal Soprano Soloist. NEW MOTION PICTURES. Matinee daily at 2:30. Two shows every evening, at 7:30 and 9.

Prices—15c and 25c. PANTAGES. WEEK COM. SUN. MAT. JAN. 16. E. C. Walker, Mgr. Phone, M. 1398.

M. L. LOUISE and her DARWINIAN DEMONSTRATIONS. FRIEND & DOWLING. In their original characters, 'Rosenthal and Hanigan.'

BARTLETT & COLLINS. Eccentric Comedy Novelty. FIELDING & CARLOS. Fancy skaters—Novelty dancers. THE LARABO TRIO. Singers and Instrumentalists. DON FAYEBO. 'The Golden Monster.'

The Armory

MATINEE AND NIGHT ONLY. Friday, Jan. 21. William Morris (Inc.) Presents the World-Famous Scotch Comedian and Entertainer.

Harry Lauder. With a Company of Celebrated Associate Players. Julian Hitting and Special Lauder Orchestra.

Seats on sale, Sherman, Clay & Co's, Monday, January 17, 10 a. m. Prices, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Can be reserved by telegraph from out of town with money order or check by addressing Charles Muehlman.

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SHOE SALE. Drummer's Samples. All this week we will sell sample shoes for men and women, regular \$3.50 to \$6.00 values. In all styles, leathers and lasts, FOR \$2 A PAIR. We can save you fully half what you are accustomed to paying the retail stores. Be sure you are in the right place, as others carrying inferior lines of shoes are trying to imitate. Sample Shoe Company. Upstairs—Entrance next to Palm.

LOCAL LABOR. WEATHER CONDITIONS. MODERATELY LOW PRESSURE, with center near Western Kansas, covers the country between the Rockies and the eastern part of the Mississippi valley. From the Rockies to the Pacific, and from the Mississippi valley to the Atlantic, moderate high pressure prevails, with crests respectively over Nevada and near the middle Atlantic coast. Within the last 24 hours precipitation has been general from along the Pacific coast to the Rockies and from the upper Mississippi valley to New York. Temperatures generally are moderate for the season, and about normal in the Pacific states. Conditions this morning are somewhat unsettled, but give a probability of fair weather tonight and Tuesday in this vicinity. Chas. Stewart, Local Forecaster.

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Muslins and Cambrics. Madras, Batiste and Checked Muslins. Dotted Swisses and Checked and Striped Dimity. Piques and Poplins. Outing and Canton Flannels. Long Cloth. 12-Yard Bolts. India Linon and Persian Lawn. Birdseye Cotton. 10-Yard Bolts. Sheetings, Casings and Tubings. Luna and Pearlina Lawns.

Today and the Entire Week The Great January Sale of Fine White Cotton Materials. A GREAT annual event including the entire spring and summer stocks of fine white cotton goods, by the yard. Thousand of yards of beautiful snow white materials at prices extraordinarily low. In fact savings justify your buying for the entire season's needs. Surely prices will not be so low again in a year. Our buyer was lucky in placing his order a short time before the recent enormous advances in the price of raw cotton, thus obtaining far better values than could possibly be obtained at the present market quotations. Nearly half of the first floor of the Main avenue store will be devoted to this great event. Below is given a partial list of the goods on sale, their regular and special prices. Look them over. Note the reductions, then come as early this week as possible.

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