

## LAND THROWN OPEN

### Upon Which Irrigable Tracts Can Be Had in Idaho

Idaho, April 22.—Thirty thousand acres of irrigable land were thrown open at noon today for public sale, and hundreds of people came to make their filings upon the allotments available. The opening is directed by the state land board of Idaho, which sells the land to settlers at 50 cents an acre, of which 25 cents is paid down. The perpetual right is \$30, of which \$3 an acre is paid down and the balance in annual installments. The act of the Carey act, which governs this opening, is to enable a settler to pay for his land from his own crops. This is the first opening of this land in the northwest this year, and will be followed by others as the remainder of the tract is thrown open. The tract is on the north side of the Snake river opposite the original Twin Falls tract of 240,000 acres which has all been settled in two years with 10,000 people. The town of Twin Falls has been built, one of which has all been settled in two years with 10,000 people. Seven towns have been built of which Twin Falls has a population of over 10,000 and all the improvements of a large city, including water works and sewers. Among the buildings is a hotel costing \$100,000, which is as modern as the most modern and expensive hotels. The town lots of Twin Falls were also placed on sale today, and as this is the railroad and the town of the new tract, it is expected to be a bustling city. This tract is 30 miles southwest of Nimrod, and is on the Minodoka and western railway a 75-mile branch of the Oregon Short Line, which penetrates this new and potentially rich country. The Twin Falls project is interesting because of its rapid development and the fine citizenship that is embraced in its location. Water was first turned into the canals in 1905, the supply being only to the eastern part. In 1906 it was available over the entire tract and nearly 100,000 acres were reclaimed. Many of the tracts are now selling for a part of their holdings having taken the price of 150 acres, and often made much more than what they sell to pay for what they retain. Sales of entire tracts have been made at 100 acres. Five-acre tracts near the town of Twin Falls have sold for \$100 an acre. All the land was sold on the payment of \$2.50 an acre, two years ago. The allowance in the contract is one cubic foot per second for each acre, or about 9-acre inches a second. Measured in miners' inches the amount is about 100 inches to the quarter section. The amount of water is about four times as much as is used, but then the Snake has a surplus of water. The 420,000 acres of the Twin Falls tract is more than that of the irrigated lands of Utah, more than 100,000 acres. The water side is to be nearly the same as that on the south side, which is 10 feet wide at the bottom, and 15 feet wide at the top, and 10 feet deep of natural body water, and used for one of them. Coinciding with the preparations for the opening of the north side tract at Twin Falls is the completion of the installation of electric apparatus for the development of power, at the Great Shoshone Falls near Peoria at Shoshone Falls. The experimental farm at Twin Falls has yielded its results for the season of 1906, which show the usual big yields familiar to those who farm in this section. Sugar beets were raised at the rate of 21 tons to the acre, yielding 17.2 to 19.7 sucrose. The first test was made in September and the second in November. The Twin Falls farmer raised 9 tons of alfalfa to the acre. Another, Mr. W. Weisberger, raised 84% of wheat on a single acre, and 159 bushels of oats on another acre. Oats yielded 45 bushels to the acre.

## STEAMER ASHORE IN JAPAN

San Francisco, April 22.—The officials of the Pacific Mail ascribe the accident to the Mongolia to the persistent refusal of Japanese sailing masters to pay any attention to signals or movements of American vessels. They say a number of accidents are due to this cause, and more were narrowly averted. The Mongolia left Hong Kong April 16th, and was due here May 14th. She carried a full list of passengers and a crew of 400.

The steamer Magnolia is ashore near Mayeda lighthouse, in the province of Nagato. The locality is full of reefs. The Magnolia sought to avoid a collision with a sailing ship. She is close to land, and there is no possibility of loss of life. The ship will probably also be saved.

## TRI-CITY BASE BALL

Woodburn, April 22.—A fast and exciting game of baseball between the Woodburn team and the N. P. Brewers here yesterday resulted in a victory for the Brewers. The Brewers scored a complete blank until the ninth inning, when a walk and three hits sent three of their men across the plate. The game was full of sensational playing, and looked like the big league games, in fact better than some of them. Concanon, for Woodburn, pitched star ball, striking out 14 of the husky Brewers, while Robinson, of the visitors, retired only four Woodburnites. The score:

R. H. E.	
N. P. Brewers	..... 3 10 2
Woodburn	..... 1 3 2

## Crater Lake Road Sold.

Medford, April 22.—Saturday Receiver Roddy, in accordance with the order of the circuit court of Jackson county, offered at receiver's sale the property of the Medford & Crater Lake railway. The sale took place at Jacksonville, and, contrary to the expectations of those interested, the bidders were few. Stephen Carver and Judge Durham, for his client, Mr. Dewing, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, were the only bidders.

At 2:45 the bidding reached high water mark at \$62,700, and the road was knocked down to Judge Durham, or Wm. Dewing & Sons, of Kalamazoo, at that figure. The extremely low price offered is somewhat surprising, in view of the rainbow talk indulged in prior to the sale, but the fact that the purchasers of the road are abundantly able to complete it without delay warrants its early operation as soon as the sale is confirmed. Dewing & Sons have large interests in the vicinity of Butte Falls, and these interests demand the operation of the line, for this reason that the transfer of the road to them gives general satisfaction.

The sale is not conclusive, as an offer of ten per cent above the accepted bid can yet be made within five days, and the sale will be reopened.

## Frosts at Denver.

Denver, April 22.—A sharp drop in temperature followed the snow storm last night, 14 above zero being recorded by the weather bureau in both Denver and Pueblo, and fruit of all kinds in Eastern Colorado was effectively nipped in the bud. At Grand Junction, the center of the most important fruit growing district west of the continental divide, the temperature fell to 30 degrees and the weather observer there reported today that the condition of fruit was grave. While the damage to fruit in this state may amount to several million dollars, nearly all other crops will be greatly benefited by the moisture.

A remarkable feature of the snow storm was that it was more severe in the lowlands than the mountains.

## INDIAN BOY IS KILLED

### Trying to Break Into Chemawa Store

### Had Been Out in the Woods and Needed Grub

An Indian boy named Charles Flester, aged about 14, was shot through the head this morning while trying to break into the store at Chemawa station. The shooting took place about 1 a. m., but the boy did not die until about 5:30. He was shot through the head, the bullet entering the skull above the right ear, and coming out above the left ear, going through the brain in a downward course. Three physicians worked over the lad to save his life, the Indian school physician and Drs. Mott and Miles, of Salem. The shooting was done by R. G. Henderson, the store keeper, postmaster and telegraph operator, who has been doing business at the school for about five years. He was awakened by the Flester boy, who was accompanied by another boy, Ignace Seymour, trying to break in, and got up to defend his property. As the boy ran away he fired, and with fatal results. There is no blame attached to Henderson, who is well liked and generally respected at the school.

## Had a Bad Record.

The Flester boy had a bad record as a chronic runaway. His home is in Northern California, and his mother, when last heard from, was about Dunsuir somewhere. The boy ran away four times, twice getting as far as Grants Pass and once to Tangent. The last time he has been out in the woods hiding since last Friday, and probably came in, driven by hunger, to get something to eat. Dr. Chalcraft immediately telephoned United States Attorney Bristol, at Portland, and Bristol advised that an inquest be held, and Sheriff Culver and Coroner Clough, of Salem, went down this morning and held an inquest. Supt. Chalcraft went to Portland and laid the whole case before the federal authorities, and it was decided that the county officers had jurisdiction in the case. Bristol advised that they go ahead and get at the facts, and then report to him. The Indian children at the school are the wards of the government. The boy will be buried Tuesday at Chemawa.

## The Coroners Inquest.

Coroner Clough summoned a jury at Chemawa as follows: J. B. Giesy, George Mudge, Alex. Huiden, J. F. Enright, Henry E. Mann, J. S. Clark. The jury occupied the forenoon in hearing the testimony of the witnesses. The principal ones were the Seymour boy and Mr. Henderson.

The coroner's jury exonerated Henderson from all criminal liability for shooting young Flester. Another boy, William Wiley was found, on the hearing, to have been in the party. He was not a truant, but was picked up after dark, and was one of the robbing party.

## Guards Patrol Camp.

Stockton, Cal., April 22.—Forty armed guards are patrolling the properties of the Utica Mining Company, at Angels Camp, where over 600 men are locked out. The miners demanded an eight-hour day. The owners refused, and, anticipating a strike, closed down.

## Persons Involved in Lotteries.

Jackson, Miss., April 22.—Judge Nixon called a special term of the federal circuit court at Biloxi today to indict the persons involved in the lotteries found on board steamers running up and down the Mississippi river. Special efforts were made by the federal sleuths to secure evidence that would convict the owners who have lately invaded the steamboat lines. It is declared that the regular prize drawing have taken place on vessels in the waters of the gulf.

## Mette Inquest Postponed.

Chicago, April 22.—Extreme illness of Mary Slade, daughter of Frank and Mary Mette, who are dead from poison, caused an abrupt postponement of the inquest the coroner is holding over the remains of Mette and wife. The woman is in the last stages of consumption.

## HUGHES SUCCEEDS ROOSEVELT

New York, April 22.—Henry Watterston says Governor Hughes is certain to be the Republican nominee for 1908, and Bryan the Democratic. He predicts Hughes' election. He says he holds a ticket in the Paris mutual bet of a hundred to one that Hughes will succeed Roosevelt.

## Clark Stole Bonds.

New York, April 22.—The president of the Trust Company of North America today stated that another arrest may be made in the case of W. O. Douglas, the defaulting employe of the company. Douglas says he took a quarter of a million. The officials are only to establish a shortage of \$50,000. Douglas was arraigned today and held without bail. President Thorne says Douglas admits taking the bonds, and told where they could be found. He made no attempt to dispose of them, and said he did not know why he had taken them.

## ELECTRIC WORKERS STRIKE

Salt Lake, April 22.—The Salt Lake street car operatives met this morning and balloted on a strike. The result will be announced tonight. It is generally admitted that the strike will be called Wednesday, and all the men connected with the allied unions, it is said, will also walk out. This means no street cars, no lights and no power until the trouble is settled.

## DUTCH TOWN NEWS

Aurora, Or., April 22.—Hop growers in this section are complaining of the scarcity of help this year, and, although good wages are offered, it is impossible to get enough men or women to work in the yards. One yard is offering girls \$1.75 a day and their dinner to tie up hop vines. The crop is looking fine, and the continued heavy rain this spring does not seem to have done any material damage. Some of the yards are infested to a slight degree with the wood worm, but so far the worms have not become a pest. A large number of yards in this district are being rented this season, the owners thinking there is more money in it for them to rent than to run the chances of scarcity of labor now and at hop picking time. The acreage this season will be largely increased over that of last year.

The Aurora brass band is making plans to hold a monster Fourth of July celebration here this year. The citizens have evinced a desire to have something doing here on the Fourth, and will aid with substantial contributions of money. Aurora has never had a celebration, and the band proposes to give them one that will outshine all other towns along the line. The big gasoline engine for the city water works has arrived, and workmen are busy getting the well, pump and engine in position to test the water that is now in the well. The well is down 174 feet, with an 8-inch casing, and the intention is to pump the water out and see how much of a flow there is. No definite plan has yet been determined on as to what kind of a pressure system the city will have, whether air tank or elevated tank. That will be decided when the flow of water in the well is ascertained.

## Printing Plants Burn.

San Francisco, April 22.—The new wholesale section about Fifth and Howard streets was threatened with destruction by fire, resulting from crossed wires in the printing plant of Spaulding & Grasi, which destroyed the building occupied by the California Lithograph Company, the Pacific States type foundry and Wm. Nevic Printing Company. Damage and loss \$27,000.

## VARIOUS CAUSES CELEBRE

### Ruef Trial Again Proceeding With Usual Elegance

San Francisco, April 22.—The Ruef trial was resumed today. There was no progress at the morning session to secure a jury.

### U. S. Bonds Untaxable.

Washington, April 22.—In the case of the Iowa tax law, the supreme court today decided that government bonds cannot be taxed, overruling the state courts, which permitted the state to assess a bank's holdings of government bonds, the same as other bonds.

### The Herman Case.

Washington, April 22.—The prosecution today completed its address to the jury in the Hermann case. H. P. Galley, son-in-law of Mr. Hermann, counsel for the defense, began his argument, and it is expected a verdict will be secured this week.

### SENSATION STILL TO COME.

### Honey Continues to Dig Up the Rafts.

San Francisco, April 22.—When the grand jury reconvenes tomorrow the Home Telephone case will again be taken up. Two mysterious witnesses, for whom the prosecution has been searching for over a week, were located, and there is a possibility that they will be examined tomorrow. The prosecution predicts a sensation will be created by their testimony. No effort will be made by the prosecution to prevent the construction of the Home's system. Honey denies that he has secured a complete exposure of municipal corruption from ex-Police Commissioner O'Grady. He declares O'Grady is still missing.

### Tampering With Jurors.

Charges of tampering with talesmen, Leon Friedman, was made by the prosecution during Friedman's examination. The state intimated that Eddie Graney had attempted to talk with Friedman about the case, and that certain promises had been held out to Friedman. Graney was ordered to appear in court this afternoon.

### Pilot Held Guilty.

New London, Conn., April 22.—The United States steamboat inspectors today decided that Pilot Anson was responsible for the collision of the steamer Larchmont and the schooner Knowlton, sinking the Larchmont with great loss of life.

### Hyde-Benson Case.

Washington, April 22.—The Hyde-Diamond-Benson land fraud conspiracy case was set for today in the supreme court of the District of Columbia. It was postponed until next week, because the government is still busy with the Hermann case.

### Assaulted a Boy.

New York, April 22.—Benedict Gimmel, who tried to commit suicide after his arrest upon complaint of a boy, died early this morning. The family at his bedside attributed his downfall to insanity from overwork.

### House Destroyed with Four Children

Fulton, Ky., April 22.—The residence of John Green, merchant, burned, and his four children, ages ranging from one to ten, burned to death. Neighbors rescued the father, mother and two other children.

### Spaugh Gets Reprieve.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 22.—The governor today granted a 60-day reprieve to Wm. Spaugh, sentenced to hang Thursday for the murder of Sheriff Polk, in Iron county.

### Raids on Gamblers.

San Francisco, April 22.—Raids on gambling joints began Saturday and were continued until early this morning. Over 136 gamblers were arrested.

## GERMANS STEAL MARCH

### Have Financial Control in Persia

Washington, April 22.—Advices today show that, besides building the Bagdad railroad across Asiatic Turkey, Germany has now published that the German Orient Bank of Berlin is financial banker of the Persian government. England is certain to be violently angry, as this coup forestalls the aim of Great Britain. The President's representative, sent to observe conditions there, is about due to arrive. The government is today advised that the peace conference at Annapolis is deadlocked, and that it is likely there will be a resumption of hostilities in Central America.

## M'MANUS JURORS SECURED

Pendleton, April 22.—(Special to The Capital Journal)—After three days and a half the last of the 12 jurors for the McManus murder trial was secured this morning at 10:35, and the taking of testimony was started this afternoon. In outlining the case for the state District Attorney Phelps stated that the prosecution would endeavor to show that McManus did not intend to shoot Robert Estes, but he did think he was shooting the man McCarty, whom the Pilot Rock editor had had arrested a few days before for robbing him. Stating the case for the defense Colonel Raley declared the defense to be able to prove that McManus did kill Estes, and that he was justified in so doing, for the reason that at that time Estes had his hand in McManus' pocket for the purpose of removing money. He also stated that evidence would be introduced to show the character of Estes. Eleven of the 12 jurors are farmers. McManus is cheerful and hopeful, taking advantage of a brief recess this morning to walk over to the reporters' table and shake hands with them, and the lawyers sitting near. His wife is always by his side.

### Circuit Court Proceedings.

Judge Burnett convened the April term of circuit court this morning at 9 o'clock and transacted the following business:

In the action for money of A. B. Adams vs. J. F. Wentworth, in department No. 1, the plaintiff's motion for a non-suit was allowed. A judgment for the defendant was given dismissing the action without prejudice, and for costs and disbursements of suit.

The recovery suit of Mary Hershberger vs. Jenkins Harding was continued for service.

A motion to strike out part of the amended complaint in the August Kohrberger vs. School District No. 24 was overruled.

The action for money of H. Meiring vs. Wm. Burmeister and Robert Losey was settled.

In the appeal from Justice court of the V. H. Caldwell vs. George Fendrich suit a judgment was given for the plaintiff on verdict against the defendant and his sureties on appeal for \$50, together with the costs and disbursements of suit.

### Business in Department No. 2.

In department No. 2 the following suits were continued: Dorrance Lumber Company vs. Francis Feller; Leo Willis vs. M. L. Chamberlain; Oregon Land Company vs. Chas. Scott, and the divorce suit of Alice Sievers vs. Mark Sievers.

The quiet title case of Cyrus Clauser vs. Geo. W. Poyser, et al., was settled.

A demurrer to the amended complaint in the divorce suit of Frank R. Van Vlack vs. Alice A. Van Vlack was sustained. The plaintiff was given leave to serve and file a second amended complaint on or before April 25, 1907, on condition that he pay into the court for defendant with such second amended complaint the costs and disbursements incurred by the defendants in the suit to this date.

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State Library Commission.  
The Oregon Library Commission is holding its quarterly session today at the state house. Hon. Wm. Ayre, Portland, is in the city attending.

Teddy Going to Summer Residence.  
Washington, April 22.—It is announced that the President will go to Oyster Bay June 13th.